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JOBS CUTS 'JUMPING THE GUN'

Council insists redundancies are a proactive approach to future budget

EXCLUSIVE

By JON COATES

COUNCIL bosses in Tunbridge Wells have been accused of acting too soon in making a raft of job cuts before its budget for next year is set.

In stark contrast, their counterparts in Sevenoaks and Tonbridge have delayed making cuts in services or jobs until they know the outcome of the Government's spending review.

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council has axed 25 full-time posts and made 24 staff redundant in a wide-ranging restructuring during the last six months.

Town Hall chiefs have claimed this "painful process" was necessary to be prepared for public spending cuts expected in the autumn.

But the most senior Liberal Democrat councillor in Tunbridge Wells believes the Conservative-led authority should also have waited before wielding the axe over its staff.

Cllr David Neve, the Lib Dem group leader who represents St James ward, said: "I think the administration has jumped the gun in restructuring.

"They should have waited like other councils until after the spending review in the autumn, then decided on what cuts are needed."

He added: "The council has made cutbacks at senior levels, but they also said no front line services would be affected and we have already seen cuts in pest control and they are talking about closing the tourist information centre. I think the restructuring and job cuts was a knee-jerk reaction."

It comes just days after the council confirmed it would be looking to buy the Land Registry site when it

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Picture courtesy of Will and Matt Burrard-Lucas

Monkey business

THIS stunning image of a swimming macaque monkey is one of a breathtaking collection captured by two young brothers.

Will and Matt Burrard-Lucas from Sevenoaks hit the headlines recently with their close-up shots of a mosquito coming to life. This week we caught up with them to find out what makes them tick and get a taste of some of their impressive photographs.

FULL STORY AND MORE PICTURES – SEE INSIDE

CEREMONY: King's Hill Cricket Club

New ground opening

ONE of the oldest cricket clubs in the county will be playing one of the newest on Saturday at the opening of the Kings Hill Cricket Club ground.

Legendary spin bowler "Deadly" Derek Underwood will perform the opening ceremony when Andrew Blevins, managing director of Liberty Property Trust UK Ltd – which, together with Kings Hill development partner Kent County Council, donated the use of the ground and built the pavilion for the club – will hand over the keys to cricket club chairman Brian Bell.

To celebrate the opening, Kings Hill will play Town Malling whose ground is reputed to be the site of the first recorded cricket match in Kent.

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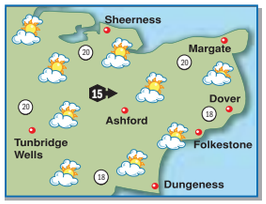

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It will be a largely dry day with spells of sunshine and just the occasional fair weather cloud. However, there will be a small chance of the odd isolated shower for a time. It will be dry by evening with late sunny spells. There is going to be a gentle westerly wind. Max temp 19-22C (66-72F).

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Health hotline to be rolled out nationally

A REVAMPED version of Kent Health Watch is set to be implemented on a national scale, ***writes Jenna Pudelek***.

The healthcare hotline, which has been much-criticised within the county for being expensive and under-used, was included in the coalition's radical plans for the NHS.

Health Secretary Andrew Lansley said he wanted Health Watch schemes to be created in each county to "strengthen the collective voice of patients".

The patient hotline, which has been slammed for costing £300,000 a year to run, was launched in October 2008 by KCC in response to the superbug scandal at Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust, where at least 90 people died during two outbreaks of Clostridium difficile.

It is designed to allow patients to raise concerns – but came under fire for the small number of calls it was receiving.

Now, the Health Watch schemes in each county would replace Local Involvement Networks (LINks) and report to a central Health Watch England, which would have the power to order investigations into poor services by the health and social care watchdog the Care Quality Commission.

In Kent, one of the most outspoken critics of the scheme has been Cllr Trudie Dean, leader of the Liberal Democrats and the official opposition at County Hall.

The member for Malling Central called Health Watch "an appallingly expensive White Elephant" after it was revealed earlier this year that just 500 people had called the hotline, costing £600 per enquiry.

However, she told us this week that the coalition's plans for one of KCC's flagship projects answers the objections the Kent Lib Dems raised at the launch.

"As far as I can see what they are proposing nationally is totally different," she said. "They are going to use LINks as the Health Watch, which is what we said at the beginning.

"It will actually have a function because customers [patients] will have to complete a feedback form and the forms will go to the local Health Watches and the nationally organised Health Watch England, and that will be used to inform the planning process."

For KCC's cabinet member for public

LISTENING: New national Health Watch will give patients a say in their healthcare

health Cllr Alan Marsh, the Government's endorsement of their project is the ultimate answer to critics: "There have been forms of hostility and a lack of appreciation within the health industry, which were very offensive and uncooperative because they failed to see what we were trying to do.

"Andrew Lansley has put very well what we were never able to say: 'the health industry won't make decisions about us without us'."

He added it had always been KCC's ambition to see Health Watch go national.

He said the coalition's health policy would give local authorities more involvement in the NHS, adding: "When primary care trusts disappear, there are three years to take them down one by one, and strategic health authorities, which are another tier I do not think is necessary, then Health Watch will kick in to work with GP clusters."

Graham Hills, operations director at Kent and Medway LINk, which was set up to give patients and communities more say over health and social care, said the new Health Watches would be enhanced versions of LINks.

"I suppose every government has got to have their own stamp, but my interest is that we've got fantastic health and care services. A lot of taxpayers' money is spent and I think the community should not be sitting on the shoulders of surgeons, but there are areas where the community has a legitimate view that should be used to help shape services."

He welcomed that LINks would have a national voice through Health Watch England.

Other councils prefer to wait and see before raising the axe

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becomes available next year in a move to streamline public service operations in the town. This has prompted renewed speculation the authority itself will move to the site – a claim denied by council chiefs.

In its defence the authority has stated it is expecting a 30 per cent reduction in funding for the next financial year and these moves are essential to ensure the council moves forward.

William Benson, chief executive of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, said the restructuring process will save £1 million a year.

He said: "The council has always been proactive in delivering a balanced budget and in planning ahead to meet projected deficits.

"Whilst precise details of the savings identified in the emergency budget will not be available until October, it has been clear for some time that we will be facing challenging times.

"Because of this, we have built a reduction of 30 per cent in the grant we receive from Government, into our budget projections.

"The council has acted now because we preferred to act in a measured way that gave us time to consider different ways of delivering services and to consult staff; and to take advantage of opportunities that presented themselves."

But the other local authorities in west Kent are taking a contrasting approach to the issue.

David Hughes, chief executive of Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council, said: "Once we know what the council's grant settlement will be, we will be in a better position to assess our financial projections and strategy."

The policy of the Tory-led Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council has the full support of the opposition Liberal Democrats.

Cllr David Thornewell, the Lib Dem group leader who represents Larkfield North ward, said: "We supported the council's overall budget strategy, which was adopted in the knowledge that whatever the result of the election there would be severe reductions in grants.

"The budget adopted a cautious approach and savings have been made over recent years so the council is in a position to see how we are affected by the budget cuts this autumn.

"We would not wish to rush into hasty decisions as this council's financial position does not make this necessary."

A spokesman for the Tory-led Sevenoaks District Council echoed this approach, saying: "The council is in the early stages of planning for next year's budget. We expect there will be a significant reduction in our grant from the Government combined with other additional costs. However, it's too early to say how much the council will need to save.

"We expect the situation to be clearer following the comprehensive spending review in October."

Dame Vera to join us for a sunny day

FORCES sweetheart Dame Vera Lynn will attend the War and Peace Show at Paddock Wood's Hop Farm this week.

She will attend the show on Friday, where she will be presented with a £5,000 cheque for the Dame Vera Lynn Trust for Children with Cerebral Palsy.

Dame Vera made her name travelling the world during the Second World War, entertaining the troops.

During her visit to the show, she will dedicate a Bren gun carrier that was named after her by its British crew during the war.

The rare vehicle is owned by Brian Laker, of Yalding, who discovered it in Virginia, USA, and brought it back to England in February this year.

"It wasn't till we started stripping it down that we discovered British colours and markings, and the name Vera Lynn clearly painted on it," he said.

Dame Vera will also spend an hour meeting veterans at a special Veterans Centre at the show. All veterans of the Second World War have been invited to attend free.

Crime rate drops

But violence and burglaries on the up

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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CRIME figures across west Kent have continued to tumble – but the number of violent crimes has risen, according to the latest statistics from the Home Office.

Violent crime rose by 73 incidents in 2009-10, according to the figures, and there was also a small rise in burglaries.

However, west Kent still saw an overall drop in crime – down six per cent or some 1,189 fewer offences over the period compared to the previous year.

Now the region's police chiefs have vowed to clamp down on the two crimes bucking the trend.

Other positive results showed that vehicle crime was down 22.3 per cent, a fall of more than 591 reported incidents.

Robbery was down by 19 incidents or 18.6 per cent and criminal damage was reduced by 281 incidents or some seven per cent.

However, burglaries both on domestic and other premises increased. In 2009-10, there were 35 more domestic burglaries than the year before.

The figures should still be read in context that west Kent remains one of the safest areas in the country to live and has some of the smallest crime rates in Kent.

"This is the fourth year we've been in the enviable position of starting the new financial year with crime down in west Kent," said area commander, Chief Superintendent Tony Thomas.

Review

"I am mindful that these very positive figures contain some increases in certain crime types. We are addressing this in a number of ways, which includes reviewing the way we use our resources, targeted operations, crime reduction events and initiatives involving our partners and local communities.

"It is also helpful to look at those crime types that have increased in a wider context and be aware that this year we had success in arresting people responsible for burglary and bringing them before the courts."

Nationally, figures showed that crime had fallen nine per cent to 9.6 million offences committed over the period, which is a 29-year low.

Primary school children are in harmony with young Africans

CHILDREN from schools in Kent and Malawi have recorded a song together to raise funds for a charity working in the African country.

About 130 pupils at Lamberhurst St Mary's Primary School took part in the innovative project with their partner Chikombola School through the Starfish Malawi charity.

Rose Bell, who used to be married to Rolling Stones guitarist Mick Taylor, is a keen supporter of the charity and penned the original song.

She then went into the primary school in Lamberhurst and recorded the pupils singing it, before jetting over to Malawi to record children singing it at both Chikombola and the Salima Blind School. This process was complicated by the lack of electricity and roads, so Mrs Bell took generators carried on bicycles to make the recordings.

She then got her brother Robin Millar, a top producer recently awarded a CBE for services to music, to apply the finishing touches to the song.

The track, titled Starfish Malawi, was officially launched at the school in Lamberhurst on Friday and can now be bought for just £2 each.

Headteacher Caroline Bromley said: "More than 1,000 children have taken part in the recording, so it's a really big, impressive sound. All of the proceeds will go to fund the work of Starfish Malawi, which is a charity founded by Chris Knott from Hawkhurst."

People can hear a clip of the song at www.lamberhurst.kent.sch.uk in the newsletter section.

To buy a CD send the school your order with your details, and a donation towards postage and packing.

Dramatic rise in suspension rate

THE number of teachers suspended from classroom duties has more than doubled in just a year.

Figures obtained through a Freedom of Information request to County Hall revealed how one teacher a week is being suspended from primary and secondary schools in Kent.

In 2008-09 the total for the year was 19, but this more than doubled in 2009-10 with 43 being temporarily taken out of the classroom.

Reasons included child protection issues, which can range from allegations of verbal abuse, unreasonable force against a pupil and, in worst cases, indecent assault.

Pool celebration

OLYMPIC gold medallist Duncan Goodhew MBE officially launched the centenary celebrations at Tonbridge Swimming Pool last weekend.

He kick-started the fun and games with a host of family relay races in the outdoor pool, including an umbrella race which originally took place at the pool's first swimming gala in 1911. Over 250 people attended the event, which marked 100 years of outdoor swimming in Tonbridge.

During the evening the Mayor of Tonbridge Cllr Sue Murray, attended by Cllr Martin Coffin and Cllr Maria Heslop, unveiled a commemorative plaque.

Cannabis found

A MAN and a woman have been arrested after 60 cannabis plants were found at a property in Tunbridge Wells.

Police said the plants, which were discovered on Wednesday, were being grown using hydroponics at the house in Silverdale Road.

Officers remained at the address overnight to ensure the property remained secure and spent Thursday removing the cannabis and growing equipment.

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Town Hall complex an 'anchor' for regeneration

THE redevelopment of the Town Hall complex is key to ensure Tunbridge Wells remains a major retail centre, according to council chiefs.

The land at the Civic Centre, which includes the council offices, Assembly Hall, police station, museum and library, is seen as the only available site for a major retail chain to move into.

This would then anchor the regeneration of other sites like the ABC cinema plot opposite the Town Hall, which the council is still considering buying, as we reported last month.

But the historic buildings contained within the Town Hall complex will be protected if the redevelopment goes ahead. This will include Calverley Terrace, which was designed by renowned Victorian architect Decimus Burton, and the Adult Education Centre in Monson Road.

Council bosses recently came under fire at a Royal Tunbridge Wells Town Forum meeting for the lack of public information about the future of the Civic Centre.

The Town Hall complex has been earmarked as a regeneration site in the local development framework and the council has been discussing various options with its partner developer John Laing, through their joint venture – the Tunbridge Wells Regeneration Company.

If the redevelopment takes place the council is believed to be considering a move into the Land Registry site at Forest Court in Hawkenbury, which it could share with the police, Kent County Council and other government departments.

KEY SITE: Cllr Roy Bullock at Town Hall

In response to the criticism at the forum meeting, Cllr Roy Bullock, the leader of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, said the council could not comment on the plans for the Town Hall complex at this stage, as the developer John Laing will put the plans out to public consultation in October.

But he stressed that Calverley Terrace and the Adult Education Centre will be protected from demolition if the regeneration takes place.

Cllr Bullock said: "Both of these buildings will remain. This is a key message we would like to get out to people.

"The other message is that we have not been using 'smoke and mirrors' or anything like that over the Town Hall plans.

"It is just that the regeneration plans cannot be finalised until the consultation process has taken place and it would be inappropriate for the council to comment until then."

He added: "If we are going to be able to maintain our status as a major retail centre we have to offer a much more attractive retail centre.

"The key to success for Tunbridge Wells is to have a large site for a major national chain like the Debenhams, House of Fraser or John Lewis's of this world to move into.

"The only land available for this would be the Town Hall site and this is key in Tunbridge Wells, everything else will follow from this, the cinema site and everything else in the town."

CONFIRMED: The council has voted to buy the Land Registry offices

Council 'will look to buy registry site'

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COUNCILLORS in Tunbridge Wells have voted in favour of buying the Land Registry offices.

The borough council's leader Cllr Roy Bullock said the acquisition would deliver savings and better customer service.

But council chiefs said the decision was not to be seen as a precursor to abandoning Town Hall for the new site in Hawkenbury.

Ending months of speculation that the local authority was interested in the Forest Road site, councillors provisionally agreed to purchase it at a meeting on Wednesday.

Cllr Roy Bullock, leader of the council said: "The council is, once again, demonstrating that it is willing to act proactively to improve services and reduce costs.

"Our submission to the Treasury projected savings in excess of £1million across the public sector by working more flexibly and sharing facilities.

"Clearly the purchase will be subject to the usual negotiations and procedures but I am optimistic this acquisition will deliver savings and better customer service."

The Land Registry is set to shut in June next year as part of cost cutting measures that will leave 200 workers out of a job.

The council said it was "categorically not true" that the proposal was effectively a decision to vacate the Town Hall.

A spokeswoman said: "A business case has been prepared which demonstrates that there is sufficient demand from other public, private and voluntary organisations to repay the investment regardless of whether the borough council is involved.

"No decision has been made on the future of the Town Hall and any such decision will be subject to public consultation."

Council leader Roy Bullock would not put a timeframe on the project or say how much the council was willing to pay.

Relocation

However, it is bound to fuel rumours the council offices could relocate. The Town Hall has been deemed as unsuitable for modern working practices such as the current move towards open plan offices and is in need of repairs the council cannot afford as it is a listed building.

It is also seen as part of a wider site in the centre of the town that includes the disused cinema 'grot spot' and has been earmarked for future development.

The council said the move was part of a Kent-wide initiative aimed at improving public services and making savings.

It comes after a national review of how public sector organisations can make better use of property assets.

The coalition Government is currently carrying out a review of public spending, which is due to report back this autumn.

As a result of the recent emergency budget, the council must make savings of at least 25 per cent. The council said it wanted to do so in a way which protects front-line services as far as is possible.

The move has also been inspired by the Gateway, a joint initiative with Kent County Council which provides a wide range of public services under one roof. It is believed that bringing public services together at one site has the potential to save money through sharing facilities such as receptions, meeting and training rooms and other support costs.

The spokeswoman added: "This purchase provides a unique opportunity for the public sector to reduce its costs, reducing the burden to taxpayers over the long-term. It will also bring additional employment to the borough."

No obstacle to fun

AN It's A Knockout event will be held at the home of the Tonbridge Angels next weekend to raise funds for its club and a hospice.

The fun event at Longmead on Sunday, July 25, from 10am to 4pm, will see teams of adults race each other over a course of inflatables and obstacles.

Entry is £3 for adults, with children under-13 going free. All proceeds will go to Hospice in the Weald and the football club.

To enter a team or make a donation call Leanne Fields on 07837 432211.

Hop to buy tickets

EARLY bird tickets are already on sale for next year's Hop Farm Festival.

The festival was staged at the Paddock Wood site for its third year just a fortnight ago, with Bob Dylan, Ray Davies, Van Morrison and Blondie entertaining huge crowds.

Now organisers have launched a limited number of tickets for the 2011 festival, costing £125 for a weekend ticket including two days camping, with no booking fee.

In doing so they have announced that the festival will be staged on Friday and Saturday, July 1-2.

Trio go on display

ARTISTS are set to put their work on display in the Pantiles.

The exhibition starts next Saturday, July 24, and runs until Monday, August 2 at 61 Lower Walk in Tunbridge Wells' historic parade.

Local artists Barbara Fuller, who will be showing her landscapes and floral paintings in watercolour and pastel, Don Fuller, whose work includes watercolour landscapes and Derek Wiles, who creates figurative and abstract painting in all mediums, will be displaying their work.

All the exhibits will be for sale.

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THE INTERVIEW

BY JANE CONNOLLY

Juicy slice of Southern boogie

BURNING the midnight oil has resulted in an impressive debut album by Tonbridge-based band, MelonHeadMan.

Lead vocalist and guitarist Simon Savage has been putting in the hours on The Good and The Bad, due for release in August, in order to follow his passion for music.

"I did all the backing tracks in one night, starting at 4pm and finishing at 4am," he said. "I wasn't getting much sleep and there were some fraught moments, like the software crashing just before it had to go for mastering. It was about 3am and I was thinking, 'I can't do it any more, I'm going to leave', but I pulled myself together.

"Then I had to go and do a gig and I was so tired, I found it so hard to get up and do it. But then the adrenaline kicks in and you pull it out of the bag."

All the hard work has produced an album which showcases MelonHeadMan's 'boogie metal', alternatively described as rock with a country and bluegrass edge. Drawing on influences such as Lynyrd Skynyrd and Black Crowes, the band has been winning fans in the most unlikely places.

"I think people actually don't get it, but when they come along and see us, they think it's excellent and like what we do," Savage, 43, said.

"Southern rock is big now and people around here are getting into it, that's for sure. We've supported a few bands that are real, classic English rock and gone down a storm. That's really good because they've come to see another band, but they like us and buy the CD."

An artist by day, Savage has been involved with music all his life and despite the long hours spent on the first album, he already has ideas for the next.

"You need to get inspired again and I think what we've got are good, catchy hooks," he said. "When we play, I note what the audience does and if they like a song, we'll do it again. You might really like a song and think, 'why don't they get that?' But you want people to dance and if you can't do that, it's no good. You don't want to be the sort of band where blokes stand at the bar, looking at you."

While still balancing his art work with the band, Savage is looking to the future and hopes to release new songs as singles.

"I've always seen it as taking one step at a time, as in, 'Let's get the album out, get people buying it and play the songs live like they sound on the CD'," he said. "The aim next year is to play festivals and get dance remixes of our songs done, because it's good to get some crossover and I have no problem with that."

Find out more at www.myspace.com/melonheadman.

IN THE ROUND: Seated, Rob Landau; front row, from left, Melody Savage, Simon Savage; standing from left, Sam Woods, Pete Dommett, Ted Rogers and Tim Farmer

Dancing in the streets as Mela celebrates diversity

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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THOUSANDS are expected to this weekend flock to one of the county's biggest celebrations of cultural diversity – the Tunbridge Wells Mela.

Music, entertainment, food and dance from around the world including Bangladesh, India, the Philippines, South Africa, the Caribbean and the UK are set to bring communities together at the free outdoor festival.

The event in the Calverley Grounds will see Phase 5 Steel Band, a Kent-based steel combo playing sounds from the Caribbean; Cascade Dance, a British contemporary dance group; and She'koyokh Klezmer Ensemble, which combines Ashkenazi Jewish, Eastern European, Balkan and Turkish folk music; all take to the stage.

Last year, 6,000 visitors attended the Mela and for Sunday organisers are predicting this year it will be even bigger.

Schools in the borough have been working with culturally diverse artists including Cultural Beats, Lucky Moyo and Bloco Fogo to create exciting performances.

Lahing Kayumanggi, one of the leading dance companies in the folk culture and tradition of the Philippines, will also perform.

They will be joined by the Camden Road Choir, Kaya, a popular Bangladeshi music star who is supported by the London Symphony Studios, and Cristofe Sors, who will be showcasing his debut album My Tradition.

Cohesion Plus and Kent Music School will present Fusion Clash – energetic and colourful performance of traditional bhangra and Bollywood, fused with pop and classical music to create a vibrant new sound.

The Carmen Souza Quartet, who combine African rhythms with music of Cape Verdean ancestry to produce an innovative brand of Afro-Latin Jazz and ADH Bhangra Act will also take to the stage.

Cllr Julian Stanyer, from Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, said: "I regard it as a great privilege to be involved with this very special event. I think we can all relate to the music of different cultures and far off lands, not least the children from our primary schools who will be taking part, and I expect the variety and range of performers to be exceptional.

"I am hugely excited by this opportunity to celebrate the diversity of our community and of its increasing contribution to the life of this town."

Tunbridge Wells Mela will be on Sunday in Calverley Grounds from noon until 7pm.

Pictures: DAVID HODGKINSON PHOTOGRAPHY

VARIETY: Many cultures will come together in celebration during Tunbridge Wells Mela

Lead thief jailed

A TEENAGER has been locked up for 60 days for being part of a gang that stole lead from a top private school.

Justin Tottle, 19, of Heather Walk, Tonbridge, stole a quantity of lead belonging to Tonbridge School with other offenders on June 22.

He pleaded guilty to the theft charge when he appeared at West Kent Magistrates Court in London Road, Sevenoaks.

Tottle was sent to prison as the offence was committed while he was subject to a community sentence and because of his criminal record.

Healthy fun day

A FREE packed lunch picnic for children, a stool ball match and other fun-packed activities were on offer during Sherwood Health Week.

The focus of a fete at Shewood School, which was organised by the Parent Teacher Association, was on promoting good health and helping people make small changes to their daily lifestyles.

The events were organised by agencies including Tunbridge Wells Borough Council and Town & Country Housing Foundation.

Phone user fined

A MOTORIST has been fined £167 for using a mobile phone while driving.

Anthony Bickley, 39, from Sevenoaks, was caught using his phone while driving his BMW on the A224 London Road.

He was sentenced at Mid Kent Magistrates Court after pleading guilty by post. He also got three points on his licence and was ordered to pay £50 in costs.

Deputy PM's garden opens for Demelza

A GARDEN party will be held in the grounds of the Chevening Estate next month to raise funds for a children's hospice.

Demelza is being allowed to host the event in the grounds of the official residence of the Foreign Secretary, William Hague and the Deputy Prime Minister, Nick Clegg, near Sevenoaks on August 8 from 2-5pm.

There will be a variety of stalls selling home-made goods, jewellery, plants and refreshments, as well as face-painting, an arts and craft area, and a teddy bear's picnic for the younger visitors.

The 27 acres of lawns, woodland garden and lake will be open for guests to wander around and also to try their hand at escaping from the maze.

Admission is £4 for adults and £1 for children, with all proceeds going to Demelza Hospice Care for Children. Entrance will be on the door only.

Sue to feast on amateur films

TV presenter Sue Perkins will get this year's Kent College & Pembury Film Festival 2010 under way, it has been confirmed.

The event, which runs from October 15-18, promises to be a celebration of film and music. And budding film-makers are being urged to take part in two competitions to showcase bright new talent.

Comedian Sue Perkins will be guest speaker at the Kent College Birthday Lecture on the festival's opening day.

Sponsored by Kent Attractions, organisers say the festival will "bring together the south east community with a selection of film viewings, music concerts, film and TV personalities, film industry workshops, drama performances and competitions".

The four-day event will be held at a selection of venues in Pembury, including the Kent College Judi Dench Theatre and Pembury village hall.

Snapshoot Film Challenge and the Big Shorts Film Competition will run throughout the festival.

The Snapshoot challenge is for teams of up to eight novice film-makers from schools in the area. Teams are invited to the independent Kent College on a designated day during the festival in order to write, shoot and edit a film on the Kent College site – within just six hours.

The Big Shorts competition is open to aspiring film-makers over the age of 18 in the south east.

Films submitted prior to the festival will be judged by Kent Attractions and a top prize of £1,500 awarded to the winner.

Prize-giving ceremonies for both contests will take place at the end of the festival.

For further information and to receive an entry pack for either competition, contact Emma Chandler on 01892 820237 or email chandlere@kentcollege.kent.sch.uk. For more details see www.kent-college.co.uk.

Picture: STEVE ULLATHORNE

Can you give advantage to young Mia?

A FAMILY who have already sold their home to help finance their daughter's dream to become a future Wimbledon tennis champion are now appealing to local businesses to dig deep, ***writes Jenna Pudelek***.

Mia Smith, 11, who trains at Jarrett Tennis School in Tunbridge Wells, has been tipped as a future champion by top coach Nick Bollettieri.

And her parents are making remarkable sacrifices to ensure she fulfils her potential – including separating and putting their financial security on the line.

The top coach, who has been credited with developing some of the sport's top talent, including Andre Agassi, Monica Seles and Maria Sharapova, has offered Mia a discounted place at his US tennis school.

Her mother, Dawn, told how the family had already sold their five-bedroom detached home near Tunbridge Wells to help raise funds for the expensive school in Florida that combines intensive tennis training with an academic curriculum.

Now, however, she has revealed they're in need of sponsors too.

"We need to try to attract sponsors because it is very expensive and we are really hoping to be able to attract support from local companies," Mrs Smith, 45, said. "There is always a lot of interest in British players so she is already getting media attention."

The Smiths are putting their all into helping Mia achieve her dream of becoming a tennis star, but they still need to find £20,000 in sponsorship money.

"We have been emailing a lot of companies and I think they think it is just another deluded parent, which I don't blame them for," Mrs Smith said. "But it's not just me saying this. Nick Bollettieri is like the Alex Fergurson of the tennis world. He is the one saying we've got to get her out there, so we are following expert advice."

When Tunbridge Wells Girls Grammar student Mia travels out to the academy at the end of August, her mother will travel with her while her father, Mike, stays at home to continue his job of running a flower-selling business.

"We are being positive," Mrs Smith said. "Whatever happens she is going to have a unique CV. Whether she stays in sport or not, she will have that experience and grammar school education.

"There are not really many negatives. This is just a thing we feel is worth doing for her. Our other two children are at university or about to be. If we had a child younger or closer in age we could not do it.

"With my husband we've always put our children first and it has worked out pretty well for us. Being apart? Well c'est la vie."

She said they have sold their house so that they have £100,000 to put towards schooling and accommodation.

Bollettieri saw Mia play at a tournament in England, and has said that her time with him will be free even though he usually charges $500 an hour for his expertise.

"There are just not enough good people playing and she needs to be constantly challenged," Mrs Smith said. "America is the best for coaches and facilities. If there was something comparative in England this would be the last thing we were doing."

She said Mia has been sporty since she was little, smashing athletics records at school.

"I can understand people reading and thinking that we are pushing her," Mrs Smith said. "But it is not us saying she is talented and has huge potential. We are trying to make it happen.

"Tennis is such an individual sport and takes so much commitment that if you have to push rather than support it just would not happen. I'm the biggest realist of everybody."

Asked if her daughter's ambition was to end the UK's drought of tennis stars and win a Wimbledon title, she added: "Possibly. It is such a long way off but she ticks all the boxes.

"When we get her out there it will be head down and get on with it. Her ambition is to be the best she can be, whether it is Wimbledon or wherever.

"It is tougher here because she has been trying to balance school work and sleepovers with practicing. She cannot go to a TWGGs bowling party this weekend because she is away. There is a lot of travelling.

"At the academy all your friends are doing the same. The coaches take them out for the day to the beach so it will be a lot of fun, but people are there because they want to work hard and do the best they can."

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Fired up for national awards

A PAIR of keen filmmakers have been shortlisted in a major national award.

And now they are in the running to scoop a prize at the prestigious upcoming Rushes Soho Shorts competition.

It is one of the most notable short film festivals in the UK and takes place at the end of the month.

Cannon was directed by Jonathan Dennis, made in Tunbridge Wells and is in the broadcast design category.

Television viewers will be familiar with the clip as it's been used on an advert showing a cow being shot from a canon to make milkshakes.

Lobster Club was directed by Milo Waterfield, made in Herne Bay and is up for an award in the animation category.

The plot centres around a sex tourist in a land somewhere beyond the sea. He arrives in a sun soaked yet boring paradise, goes for a swim and is captured by lobsters.

CANNON: One film advertises milk shake

The Rushes event is non-profit and is now widely acclaimed around the world. This year, 170 short films from 23 countries were selected for competition.

To underscore the openness of the contest, budgets in this year's entries ran from a mere £50 to £2 million.

The London-based festival attracts talented newcomers and rising stars, and even those with a long-established career.

There are also individuals and large multinational studios.

Organisers said there are 23 countries represented this year include Bangladesh, New Zealand, Lithuania, Uganda, Russia, Côte D'Ivoire, Bahamas, Croatia, USA and of course the UK.

The awards ceremony will be held on Thursday, July 29.

■ A TEENAGER has been charged with committing a public order offence that prevented Kent Air Ambulance from dealing with an emergency.

James Abnett, 19, from Botsom Lane, West Kingsdown, is also accused of resisting arrest after the incident on the Vine Cricket Ground in Sevenoaks on Saturday, May 23.

He was arrested on suspicion of criminal damage and public order offences after the incident, which grounded the life-saving helicopter for nearly two days, and released on bail.

After returning to a police station last week he was charged with the two offences and released to appear at West Kent Magistrates Court in London Road, Sevenoaks, on July 27.

A 17-year-old boy arrested with him on suspicion of common assault and public order offences, had his bail extended to allow for further investigation.

The air ambulance had been called to Sevenoaks after a baby suffered scolding to her legs at a restaurant in the town centre.

The infant was taken to hospital by land ambulance and released after treatment.

World Cup is a winner for our pubs

By **JENNA PUDELEK**
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FOOTBALL fans have given the local pub trade a much-needed boost during the World Cup, according to landlords.

Now, one week after the final whistle was blown on the tournament last weekend with Spain winning the trophy, businesses are hoping the rest of the summer proves to be just as profitable.

At the Crystal Palace in Tunbridge Wells, punters packed out the Camden Road pub's beer garden to take advantage of the outdoor TV during England's match against Slovakia – the only game we actually won.

Landlord Matthew Liles said trade had doubled during England games and his only wish was that the national team had stayed in the tournament longer.

England found themselves flying home after suffering a 4-1 mauling at the hands of Germany in the second round.

"Throughout the England games it was about twice as much as we would usually take in one week," he said of takings. "So it was a huge boost. We had a TV in the beer garden and when England played Slovakia about 150 to 170 people were out there."

He added: "I think a lot of landlords really needed that boost. Because it happens every four years it was such an exclusive thing."

Joanne Craig, manager at the Sennockian in High Street, Sevenoaks, said as part of the Wetherspoon chain it was the first time the pub had been able to turn up the sound during the games, adding: "We had a really good atmosphere and lots of people interested in watching all the games, not just England."

Asked if the tournament had given trade a boost, she said: "During the England games it was packed and a really good atmosphere and even when we lost to Germany people were still enjoying it. For the final, being a Sunday evening it was reasonably busy and people were still very interested."

In Tonbridge, Scott Thompson, a barman at the Castle Bar in High Street, said trade initially went down after England were kicked out of the cup, but during the semis and the final it picked up again.

WATCHING: England may not have been in the final, but fans still filled the pubs

He said: "It probably gave us a more constant amount of drinkers coming in. They would stay for the games and then continue drinking afterwards."

Meanwhile, James Watson, the rugby fan manager of Thorins in Tunbridge Wells, kept the pub football-free. A gamble which he believes paid off for the Nevill Street bar.

"For the first weekend and the Wednesday night of England's second game it was absolutely brilliant," he said. "I would not say there was a boost in profits but we maintained what we would normally take. It did not add a great deal to takings, but did not dent them either."

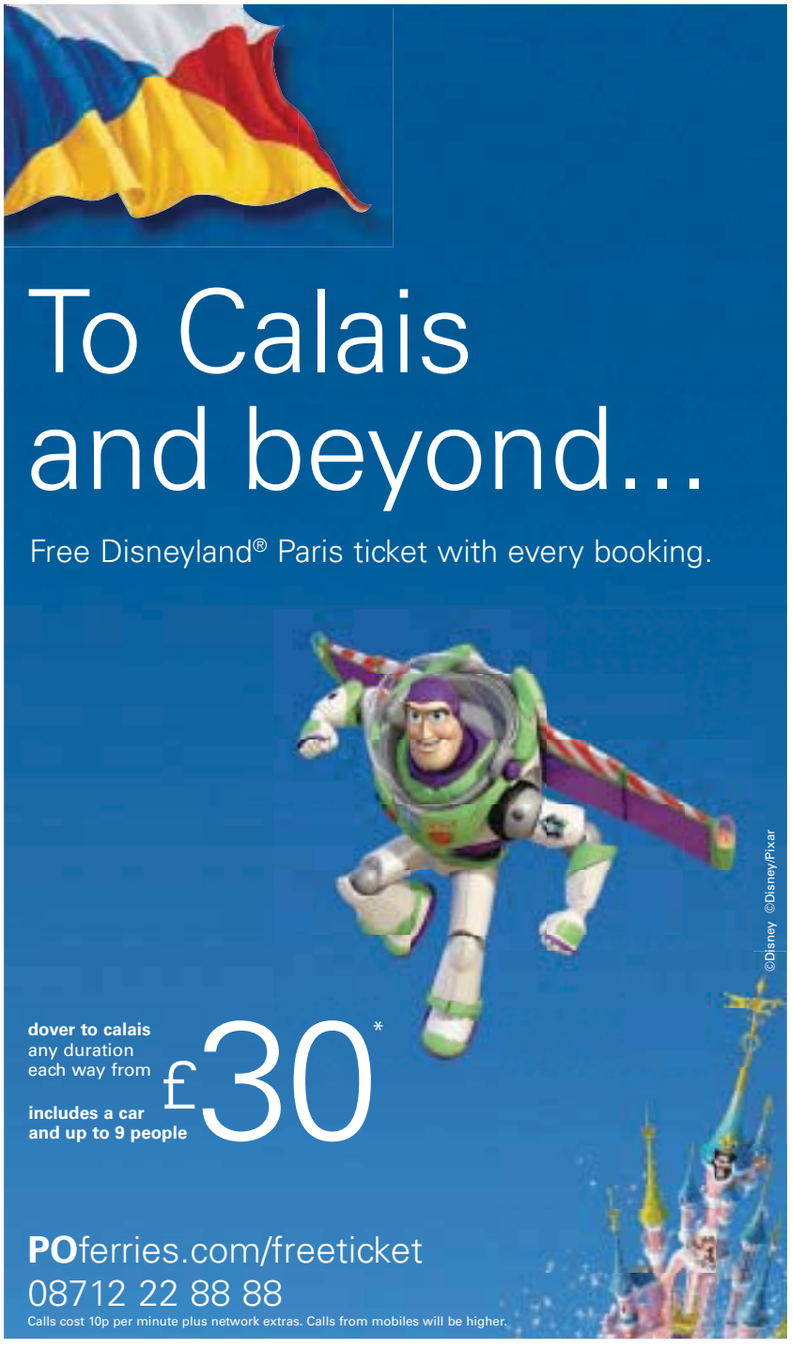
However, not all agreed the football extravaganza had been a blessing.

Richard Daley, who took over as manager at The Oak Tree in Sevenoaks High Street this Monday, went against the popular opinion that the World Cup was positive for pubs.

He said. "My feeling was that it was a non-starter that hammered the trade. Money was spent promoting and preparing for it and it was dreadful because England went out early."

He added: "It was not as good as anticipated, but I do know a lot of my customers are looking forward to the Premiership."

The Premier League returns next month.



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Large fine for man caught with drugs

A MAN has been banned from driving for 14 days and will have to pay £470 for possessing drugs and allowing a vehicle to be used without insurance.

Martin Hedges, 19, of Twyford Road, Tonbridge, was caught with 23 grams of cannabis and three ecstasy tablets in Kings Hill on June 5.

He pleaded guilty to the charges when he appeared at West Kent Magistrates Court in London Road, Sevenoaks, recently.

Hedges also admitted allowing another person to use a Fiat Punto in Anson Avenue, Kings Hill, on the same date, while knowing they were not covered by valid insurance. For this offence the magistrates banned him from driving for 14 days and fined him £100.

Hedges was fined £120 for the possession of cannabis and £150 for possession of ecstasy. He also has to pay £100 prosecution costs.

Financial advisor opens her garden

THE managing director of a company of financial advisors will open up her garden to raise funds for the Help for Heroes charity.

Karen Vidler, the boss of AV Trinity in Mount Ephraim, Tunbridge Wells, will hold the fundraising event at The White House in Shovers Green, Wadhurst, this Saturday and Sunday, from 2-6.30pm on both days.

There will be stalls and plant sales, and cream teas will be served as part of the £4 entrance fee. There will also be entertainment by a harpist at 3.30pm on the Sunday.

All proceeds will go to the charity, which helps members of our Armed Forces wounded on active service.

BP boss' green efforts are 'too little, too late'

Home improvements will not be enough, say Greenpeace

ECO-campaigners have criticised under-fire BP boss Tony Hayward for planning to install solar panels on the roof of his mansion, ***writes Jon Coates***.

They see the move as a "desperate" bid to clean up his image after coming under fierce criticism for his handling of the devastating oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

The chief executive of the oil giant has been given planning permission to install 10 solar panels at his 16th-century home in a village near Sevenoaks.

But Jason Ankers, of West Kent Greenpeace, said the eco-friendly measure would not be enough to restore his reputation, branding it "too little, too late".

He said: "Solar panels are not enough to save Tony Hayward's image – he has already done far too much damage.

"He needs to face up to his huge global responsibilities – not home improvements."

Mr Hayward, 53, has been vilified in the US since being interviewed as the face of BP after the oil leak started on April 20.

He was dubbed "the most hated and clueless man in America" by one newspaper for making insensitive or over-optimistic comments about the spill.

And he was replaced as the company's spokesman on the incident last month by an American counterpart as BP battled to contain the spill, which was leaking 25,000 barrels of oil a day into the sea.

'CLUELESS': Tony Hayward has been called the most hated man in America

Around the time of Mr Hayward stepping aside as the spokesman on the incident, it emerged that Kent Police had launched an operation to protect his wife Maureen and their two children, when they received hate mail and threatening phone calls from people angered by the environmental disaster.

Mrs Hayward said the material arriving in her post had made her and their children feel "rather uncomfortable".

She said: "Members of my family have had nasty phone calls and we have also had mail from groups.

"Tony is obviously away and we are miles away from him, so it's upsetting."

The house where the family live can only be reached by a private road and is protected by a 12ft high perimeter hedge.

It is estimated that more than a million barrels of oil have leaked into the sea since the explosion on the Deepwater Horizon rig in April, which killed 11 workers.

But Mr Hayward has refused to resign and defended BP for spending at least $1.25 billion on trying to cap the leak. It is estimated the final figure for dealing with the crisis could be about $30 billion.

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Market recognised as one of Britain's best

By JON COATES
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A FARMERS' market staged in the grounds of an historic country house in west Kent has been named as one of the top ten in the UK.

The monthly market held with Penshurst Place as a backdrop was chosen to be in the top ten list by the founder of Food Lovers' Britain, Henrietta Green.

The local produce champion praised Penshurst Farmers' Market for its range of stalls and outstanding setting in the grounds of the 14th century manor house.

The market celebrated its fifth birthday last month and has grown to have 30 stalls every month offering high quality meat, fish and seasonal fruit.

Organisers say it offers a day out for the family in a stunning setting and provides fresh produce while supporting the local economy.

Alison Shamash, one of the founding volunteer managers of the market, was delighted to be included in Ms Green's top ten, which was published in a national newspaper.

She said: "Having grown to 30 stalls, we have everything from fresh fish from Hastings, free-range meat, game and the best, freshest, seasonal fruit.

"We have recently added two ready-meal stalls made with excellent, local produce. Supermarkets just cannot compete with us."

Benjamin Dent, the chairman of Kent Farmers' Market Association, added: "Shoppers want top quality products, but also value for money, and they know farmers markets offer that because they buy direct from the producer."

Since being launched in 2005, the market held in Penshurst has played a key role in supporting other organisations in the community.

It has raised more than £12,000 for the parent teacher associations of schools in the village, as well as for the Scouts, through its charitable fundraising efforts.

The next market in the grounds of Penshurst will be on Saturday, August 7, from 9.30am until noon. Free parking is available.

See www.kentfarmersmarkets.org.uk.

• Penshurst Place has been the ancestral home of the Sidney family since 1552.

Philip Sidney, Viscount De L'Isle, is the current guardian of the property, which is open to the public from March to November. See www.penshurstplace.com to find out more.

VISIT: Lynda Tier will be on her allotment

Avoid the queue and claim your growing space

SUMMER open days will be held at renovated private allotments at a farm in Tonbridge.

Honnington Farm allotments were criticised for being too expensive and lacking in facilities when they opened six months ago.

Despite there being a four-year waiting list for council allotments in the Tonbridge area, the privately-run site still struggled to attract tenants.

So, in response to the public criticism, Honnington Farm allotments have been given a revamp to better meet the needs of gardeners.

A spokesman for the New Allotment Company, which runs the site, said: "Despite a four-year waiting list for allotments in the Tonbridge area, the company reported low rentals when it opened earlier this year with basic facilities.

"Having recently received investment, they have responded to feedback and overhauled the facilities and made them more affordable."

Now Lynda Tier, who was the first person to reserve an allotment last October after waiting three years for a council allotment, is inviting people to come and visit her patch during the summer open days.

Another of the allotment holders at the site, who did not want to be named, said: "We are delighted with the improvements. The new toilet in particular has made a real difference and I can now stay here all day."

Rudi Schogger, the managing director of The New Allotment Company, said, "We tried to create a simple environment to begin with.

"But we now better understand what people want, so the new facilities and layout should be much more in keeping with expectations. We have already received a surge in enquiries and rentals."

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JULIE MADDOCKS

Did you ever see a happy runner?

GOOD news for all you fitness fanatics, as it has been revealed that running on a regular basis can slow the effects of ageing.

A study by US researchers shows that elderly joggers were half as likely to die prematurely from conditions like cancer than non-runners.

They also enjoyed a healthier life with fewer disabilities, the Stanford University Medical Centre team found.

Not such good news though for someone like me, who openly admits the only thing they ever run is a bath.

Still, I'm a firm believer there are many other methods of keeping fit.

Interestingly, in defence of my hate of jogging, on a recent visit to my GP with our youngest son he was asked what sort of sport he took part in.

Mike listed football, rugby and cricket, all of which are sports he enjoys, and then told the doctor he was planning to take up running.

"Shouldn't bother," came the reply from our doc. "When have you ever seen anyone running who actually looks like they are enjoying it?" he said.

Good point, well made, as since that observation was highlighted to me I've yet to see anyone pounding the pavements with a smile on their face, (take a look for yourself next time you pass a runner – I bet he's right).

RUN FOR IT: Is the mere fact it'll keep us healthier enough to inspire us to enjoy running?

I have to admit it's a while since I've visited a gym, but daily dog walking and rushing round like a lunatic seems to keep me fit. I'm convinced a brisk walk and general day-to-day activities and keeping yourself active are a better way to go.

And this week for me I think I can only be described as a whirling dervish – hardly surprising as it is today that we move house. To say I'm in a bit of a tiz is an understatement.

Leaving our family home of the past 13 years is a far more difficult task than any of us had imagined.

With boxes, packing cases and bubble wrap strewn in every room – it's literally all go in the Maddocks household.

I've never considered myself a hoarder, but the actual task of 'going through' our belongings has now revealed I may well hold the world record for being the collector of anything that relates to our family history.

Every conceivable drawing, piece of art and note that our boys have ever produced has been kept in drawers and folders up and down stairs. Proof that I'm just an old softy or a proud mum I'm not sure, but either way, I've had to be ruthless and get rid.

But what should I keep?

My cousin posed the question and probably the solution to my dilemma last weekend, when he said: "If you had a fire in your home, what would you be most upset at losing? Whatever the answer is, then that is the stuff you should keep."

Excellent plan Paul – makes sense to me, but I'm not sure my family feel the same way as I do about my Donny Osmond LPs.

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In an effort to improve their returns, many savers have looked to transfer their cash ISA holdings to a better cash rate or to an investment ISA – particularly bearing in mind current market lows. But transfers into an investment ISA have been known to take up to 3 months, which is extremely frustrating, especially when markets are so volatile.

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■ A NEW charity shop has been opened to raise funds for specialist care for severely disabled children.

Now it is hoping the generosity of townsfolk will make it a big success.

The Children's Trust officially unveiled the outlet in Camden Road, Tunbridge Wells, earlier this month.

It will be open Monday to Saturday from 9am to 5pm and its staff have appealed for donations of good quality items that can be sold to raise funds.

The shop would welcome clothing, fashion accessories, bric-a-brac, toys, games, books, CDs, DVDs and kitchenware.

A charity spokeswoman said: "Even clothes that are too tatty to be sold should be put in a bin bag and labelled 'rag' and taken along to the shop, as these will also help us to generate income."

Rona Lower, manager of the new shop, said: "We hope residents will show their support by donating unwanted items and also coming to visit the shop to pick up a bargain.

"We would also love to hear from anyone who would like to become one of our volunteers and join our friendly team.

"Days and hours of working are flexible."

The Children's Trust is a national charity which provides specialist care for some of the UK's most severely disabled children and rehabilitation services to children with an acquired brain injury.

For more information about the charity's work and the locations of its other shops, visit www.thechildrenstrust.org.uk.

Don't spoil the summer by driving dangerously

YES, the weather is good and the days longer but that does not mean that you can take road safety for granted.

When there is rain after a long dry spell the roads become very slippery, even if there is only a short downpour.

So what steps can you take to be safe?

Think about your driving style and make sure you adapt to the changed conditions. Braking will take longer on wet roads and speed certainly increases the chances of losing control, especially if you are riding a motorbike.

While the weather is nice, spend some time checking the tread depth and condition of your tyres. Make sure the tyre pressure is correct and that your washer fluid is topped up.

If you are off on holiday and are packing everything except the kitchen sink into your car you will need to make sure the tyre pressure is increased to manage the extra load. Make sure you refer to your owner's manual, before the day you are due to set off, to get the correct level.

We are running a summer drink-drive campaign and so far the vast majority of motorists are being responsible and either not drinking, nominating a designated driver, or using public transport, which is excellent.

Protect yourself

Of course, in the good weather, everyone wants to wear less. In a car or larger vehicle this does not pose a significant risk but on a motorbike it does. Protective clothing is always essential – whatever the weather.

Kent Police, the Kent Fire and Rescue Service and other members of the Tunbridge Wells Community Safety Partnership will be running road safety events throughout the summer. Please check our websites for more details.

At no time of the year do police officers want to knock on someone's door to tell them a loved one has been involved in a serious road accident, so do not drink and drive, but do drive responsibly and do check your vehicle regularly.

A word in your shell

THE Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) is sending out a slug and snail alert.

Because of the recent and prolonged dry period both slugs and snails will have been dormant.

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Brothers zoom in on the beauty of wild animals

TWO brothers are taking wildlife photography to new levels by combining creative thinking with their scientific knowledge, ***writes Jon Coates***.

Will and Matt Burrard-Lucas, from Sevenoaks, have captured some dazzling shots of animals and birds in their natural habitats across the globe.

And their striking images have made such an impact with national newspapers and magazines that Will, 26, has been able to give up a high-flying job as an accountant in London to pursue his dream career photographing wildlife.

His brother Matt, 20, is studying chemistry at Oxford University and will decide whether to join Will full-time after he graduates in 2012.

Until then the two former Sevenoaks School pupils will work on projects in this country to gain new insights into the natural world. The latest of these was to capture the first few moments in the adult life of a newly-hatched male mosquito using macro images, which was heavily featured in a national newspaper and on TV.

They will also continue to plan trips during Matt's student holidays and will jet off to Madagascar at the end of July to spend a month recording the unique wildlife there.

This follows trips to the Falklands last Christmas, and Tanzania, Rwanda and Brazil last summer.

Will first became interested in photography when travelling during the summer breaks of his physics degree at Imperial College, London.

He said: "I bought my first digital camera to record my travels and after a while it became more about the photos than the travels."

He was 20 at the time and his brother was inspired to take up photography as a hobby about a year later, aged 15.

Small-scale project with a lot of bite

MOSQUITOES have long been despised in this country as a pest ruining the long evenings during the hot summer months.

In other parts of the world, particularly in developing countries, the sight of the buzzing insects arouses feelings of dread through the threat of them carrying malaria.

But a photo project by Will and Matt Burrard-Lucas has shown them in a new light by using macro images to reveal

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After graduating, Will started working for PriceWaterhouseCoopers in London and took pictures in his spare time, but during the last couple of years both he and Matt started taking the photography more seriously.

Will said: "Last year I took unpaid leave for a couple of months during Matt's summer holidays and we went to Tanzania, Rwanda and Brazil.

"We were making just about enough money to survive by licensing pictures, so I thought it was time to give it a go as a career.

"I left my job at the end of April, which was not an easy decision as it was well-paid.

"I guess I can always go back to that if needed, but it has been a dream to do the photography as a career with my brother, so I am giving it a go first."

Will, who has lived in London for the last eight years, said: "We have to be flexible and use the options available. We generally spend longer in each area than a normal tourist would and we have to go out for sunrise and sunset to get the best light."

Despite originally taking photographs while travelling, both soon realised they had a knack of capturing unusual wildlife snaps.

Will said: "Working as a team gives us an edge. We are quite inventive and use a lot of problem-solving to get images.

"We bounce ideas off each other and it helps to have someone holding the lighting while you are taking the shots.

"We can also have one of us using a standard lens while the other uses a wide angle lens. If working on our own we would not risk using the wide angle in case we got nothing, but knowing there is a fall back helps us to be more experimental."

He added: "We have learned through experimentation, trial and error, so we look at photography differently to those with training.

"Both Matt and I are very technical and look to push how we use our equipment, and our scientific training helps with this."

See more at www.burrard-lucas.com.

their amazing first steps into adult life.

The brothers managed to capture – in exceptional detail – a male mosquito as it hatched in the indoor studio of their parents' home in Sevenoaks.

After using a computer to monitor mosquito larvae for signs of activity, the brothers then took a series of stunning pictures during a five minute period as the insect emerged from its pupa stage to become a fully-grown adult.

Will, 26, said his younger brother Matt, 20, spotted dozens of mosquito larvae swimming around in a flower pot full of stagnant water in the garden of their parent's home and came up with the idea of recording them hatch.

He said: "Most people would just walk past the flower pot without thinking twice, but Matt spotted the larvae and thought it would be interesting to find out how it hatches.

"He did some research and then put them in distilled water at room temperature inside the studio.

"We used a computer to monitor the larvae for activity and then when they started hatching took as many shots as we could with a hand-held camera as they emerged. We used a normal digital SLR camera just with a macro lens.

"There was a lot of waiting around and then just a five minute window of activity, but we got some great shots."

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Motorists brace themselves for six weeks of congestion as the A228 closes

Changes to buses

The closure of the A228 Malling Road between Mereworth and Kings Hill will have a knock-on effect to buses.

It will result in special schedules being applied to Arriva's Services 77, 88 and 147 which normally use Malling Road but will need to undertake a lengthy diversion while the road works take place.

Between Mereworth and Kings Hill, buses will be re-routed to run along Seven Mile Lane, through Offham and into Kings Hill via Ashton Way and Tower View where they will rejoin the normal route at ASDA.

As a result, special timetables will be effective on these routes for the duration of the road closure to take account of the extra time required by the longer route.

In addition, at Tunbridge Wells, Service 77 and 147 buses will terminate at the rail station instead of running to Sainsbury's, while extra Service 402 buses will run between Tunbridge Wells rail station and Tonbridge Castle to maintain the 10-minute frequency between the towns.

On Sundays, extra Service 71 buses will run between Maidstone and Lunsford Park to maintain the hourly frequency between Maidstone and Larkfield which is also partly provided by the 77. The 77 will continue to run to and from Maidstone on Sundays but at revised times resulting from the diversionary route.

The normal route and timings for all these buses will be resumed as soon as the road re-opens.

Works double up to reduce misery

By **JON COATES**
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MOTORISTS facing a summer of discontent on one of the busiest rush-hour routes into west Kent have been given a grain of comfort.

Southern Gas Networks (SGN) recently announced the A228 in Kings Hill, near West Malling, will be closed for six weeks to allow for the gas main to be replaced.

But now in some welcome joined up thinking, Kings Hill developer Liberty Property Trust UK has agreed with Kent Highways Services to bring separate planned road works forward to reduce delays.

However, it will not ease the congestion expected to be caused by the diversions.

The developer had scheduled the work to improve the roundabout junction of the A228 with Gibson Drive later this year.

But this will now be fast-tracked to fit in with the work being carried out by SGN.

Andrew Blevins, managing director of Liberty Property Trust UK, said: "The road closure required by SGN provides an ideal opportunity to complete our work and we are delighted we have managed to co-ordinate it so road users are inconvenienced as little as possible."

Families have been warned the road closure will limit access to council offices during the school summer holidays.

SGN has announced that the busy road will be closed from the junction with Gibson Drive down to the Mereworth junction with the A26.

A spokeswoman for Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council said its Kings Hill offices will be open as usual, but it wants to remind residents that council services are also available at area surgeries across the borough.

These will be held at Tonbridge Gateway in Tonbridge Castle on Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 5pm and on Saturday from 9am to 5pm, at Larkfield Library in Martin Square on Monday and Tuesday, from 9am to 12.30pm and 1pm to 4pm, at East Malling Surgery in Twisden Road on Thursday, from 10am to 1pm, and at Snodland Library in the High Street on Friday, from 9am to 12.30pm.

For more on council services call 01732 844522 or visit www.tmbc.gov.uk.

For more details on the gas main replacement work call Southern Gas Networks on 01233 714082 or 0800 111999 (out of hours).

Drivers diverted

The closure will be effective from the roundabout with Gibson Drive down to the Mereworth roundabout junction with the A26, explains Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council in its advice to motorists.

Local access will be maintained for all residents of the Fighter estates and Mereworth village. The diversion route for all traffic will be A26 Maidstone Road, B2016 Seven Mile Lane, Nepicar roundabout, A20 London Road, A228 Ashton Way, to Kings Hill.

As part of the closure of the A228, Kent Highways are keen to prevent motorists "rat-running" the single track lanes between the A228 and Seven Mile Lane. Therefore they will be placing additional measures such as a road closure at the junction of Beaufighter Road and Beech Road to prevent any access through to Kings Hill and the banning of right turns for northbound traffic on Seven Mile Lane into Beech Road, Willow Wents, Comp Lane and Teston Road.

These measures will effectively keep all diverted traffic on the diversion route for as long as possible. Undoubtedly traffic will try to use a number of these "rat runs", and given the large volumes of traffic it is likely that any of these short cuts will quickly become clogged up with vehicles.

Although these works are being scheduled for the school holidays when the volume of traffic is significantly lighter, there will be delays in journeys to and from the Kings Hill estate.

In addition, plans are being made by Liberty Property Trust and Kent Highways to use this closure to re-model and re-furbish the roundabout on the A228 junction with Gibson Drive. This will result in Gibson Drive being closed and the A228 being closed back at Blaise Farm roundabout. Access to Kings Hill will be via the monument roundabout at the end of the A228 dual-carriageway.

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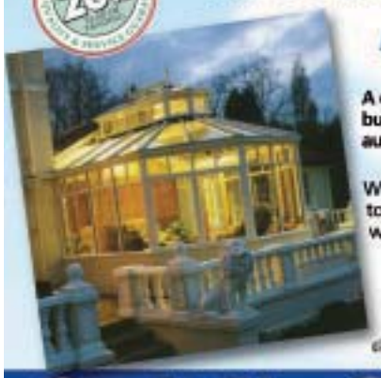
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Noizey Man Jones goes Stag

MOTOR-mouth comedy star Michael Winslow showed off his array of talents at a community arts centre this week, ***writes Jon Coates***.

The American stand-up comic and actor, best known as Jones in the Police Academy movies, joined a star-studded cast at the Outside the Box comedy night at the Stag venue in London Road, Sevenoaks, on Thursday night.

Also on the bill were resident host Maff Brown, Greg Davies from Channel 4 TV show The Inbetweeners, and TV presenter Alex Zane.

But the star turn was Winslow, 51, who wowed the audience with jokes, music, sound effects and scenes from classic movies, all using his own voice.

Speaking from his hotel near Sevenoaks the day before the show, he said he started developing his stand-up comedy with realistic noises and sound effects in the 60s, when he was heavily influenced by British TV shows such as Top of the Pops, The Goodies, Monty Python, Fawlty Towers and The Young Ones.

He also praised the slapstick Carry On films, saying there is still a place for light-hearted humour without the need for swearing.

The star, who was born in Washington state but now lives in Florida, said: "It could be the time for light-hearted humour again to relieve the gloom of the recession."

So he is pleased that New Line, the company behind the Lord of the Rings trilogy, announced plans to revive the Police Academy format for an eighth film in March.

He said: "I have not been contacted and there is not a script or director yet, but it will be good if it happens."

Winslow said the cast of the original Police Academy film had no idea it would be such a hit when they made it, but he relished being part of the franchise and the opportunities it gave him to work with Mel Brooks on sci-fi spoof Spaceballs.

He was the only character to appear in all seven Police Academy films, its cartoon and its TV series in the 90s.

The star still develops noises and sound effects for his routines, saying some just come to him and others he has to work on, and he is embracing new technology by releasing his own apps for iPads and iPhones.

These are That's Kung Fu, which produces kung fu noises when the device is shaken, allowing two users with the app to have a "battle", and Noizey Man, an interactive games site.

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Liverpool have enjoyed a far more successful season on the track than on the pitch in recent times, with the Reds' car winning the championship in 2009, but Spurs' Craig Dolby leads the way this year after a series of stunning drives, with three wins so far.

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A LOCAL charity is appealing to businesses to help it raise vital funds to help children in Africa.

Build Africa, a Tunbridge Wells-based charity, is reaching out to nearly 2,000 local businesses, asking them to collectively help raise the £33,280 needed to build a primary school in a remote area of Uganda.

Build Africa's corporate fundraiser Jackie Sindall said: "We are an award-winning charity that specialises in education and income generation in Kenya and Uganda.

"We've been based in Tunbridge Wells for over 12 years, but few businesses know about working with us.

"This year we truly want to engage with the local business community in which we are a part. Our challenge will not only help businesses make a lasting impact on thousands of lives, it will help them network with like-minded businesses and enhance their corporate social responsibility record, boosting staff morale and raising their profile."

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Couple are determined to give Happy Endings

JENNA PUDELEK meets two people who have put their financial security on the line in a bid to help save the lives and welfare of animals of all shapes and sizes from their secret base near Sevenoaks

WHAT began as a desire not to see healthy pets be put to sleep has turned into a menagerie for unwanted and mistreated animals spread across two sites.

Terry Kemp, a veterinary nurse, and his partner Chris Johns, who used to work for another animal rescue group, both used to bring home abandoned pets such as cats, dogs and rabbits.

Now they have 35 horses, numerous cats both feral and domestic, donkeys, dogs, rabbits, chickens, sheep and a goat at their two sanctuaries that total around 60 acres near Sevenoaks.

Mr Johns, 23, told how they had set up the organisation called Happy Endings, which is due to achieve charity status this year, in 2007, devoting all their spare time and cash as well as numerous bank loans into caring for the animals.

Described as a "vegan-run, no-kill policy rescue group" the centre gives a future to animals like Pops, a 30-year-old Russian carriage horse that became no use to his owner after suffering an injury whilst being driven.

The stallion had lived his whole life in a stable and had never been out in a paddock or socialised with other horses.

New life

After struggling to find a vet that would neuter such an old horse he eventually got a chance and was slowly introduced into how other horses live.

Pops eventually bonded with a mare called Birdy, who he spends his time grazing beside, and now shares a paddock with six other horses.

Mr Johns spoke about his passion for animals and where his motivation to care for unwanted creatures comes from.

He said: "I always remember my dad bringing home every waif and stray he came across. He brought home rabbits and birds. I guess that's where I get it from.

"My parents are really supportive of it."

Mr Kemp, 31, still works as a veterinary nurse while Mr Johns now works for Audi, but all their spare time is spent travelling the short distance from their home to care for the animals.

Their dream is to create a centre on one site where they can also live and open to the public because at the moment they have to keep the exact location of the sites secret so that people do not dump unwanted animals there.

Education

"We want to set up a state-of-the-art centre with half open to the public and another area for animals that do not need to be looked at by people," he said.

"It would be good to have an education area because a lot of it is about educating pet owners.

"People just do not know that they have to neuter their cats or they can end up having so many kittens."

The centre does a lot of re-homing for the stray kittens, cats, dogs, puppies, horses and ponies they find. But some of the animals are too damaged or cannot be found new homes.

Mr Johns told how they had recently rescued a shire horse that was about to be slaughtered for meat.

He had been used for driving, riding and ploughing but as he got older he was no longer of use.

The horse had become painfully underweight and lame due to his feet being overgrown. He is now recovering at Happy Endings, gaining weight and being integrated with the other animals.

Other residents include 18 unwanted cockerels who were about to lose their home and have their necks wrung.

The birds, a range of stunning colours and sizes, were rescued and brought to the centre to either spend the rest of their lives there or be re-homed.

Four cats, who had been labelled as "feral pests" by a local council and were about to be poisoned by environmental health workers, have recently found a new home at Happy Endings.

They are being neutered, microchipped and vaccinated and one recently gave birth to kittens. Mr Johns said one of the male cats, Shire, was so people-friendly that he can be re-homed.

Asked if the economic downturn had impacted on the number of animals being abandoned because their owners could no longer afford to keep them, he said that it was especially true for horses.

During the winter, they got a call out for about 11 horses that had been dumped in a field in an appalling state.

They had nothing to eat and two were so unwell they had to be put down. He said: "We are completely non destructive and we would spend thousands of pounds to save any animal, but they were so far gone that we had to let them go.

"One of those was pregnant and not long ago had the foal. It was a massive financial strain for us because they were not healthy in the beginning."

He added: "Every penny we earn goes to this.

"I've taken out bank loans to pay vet bills. The organisation has a bank account so donations go straight in there and we are going to get charity status before the end of the year."

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EXPERT: Andrew Robertshaw

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• ***The War and Peace Show is at the Hop Farm in Paddock Wood from July 21-25.***

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BATS AND MOTHS have evolved in very close relationship, although it could be said to be rather one sided as predator and prey! If you'd like to learn more about the amazing diversity, ecology and behaviour of some of the bat and moth species we might expect to find in Kent then why not come and join us at Brogdale Farm on 31st July 2010 for a fascinating evening hosted by Kent and Medway Biological Records Centre and the Brogdale Courtyard Restaurant!

BAT AND MOTH EXPERTS from around the County will be joining us to provide F**UN AND INFORMATIVE BAT WALKS**, as well as enabling everyone to get a close up look at some of our **AMAZING MOTH SPECIES**.

There will be **CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES** in the Courtyard and the restaurant will be offering, for one night only, a delicious choice of high quality, locally sourced **BBQ FOOD FROM 5PM** onwards as well as light refreshments and its fabulous **HOME MADE CAKES**.

Brogdale Collections will also be co-ordinating self guided walks giving visitors the opportunity to take a leisurely stroll around the beautiful grounds and spend time enjoying the orchards. Charges for the orchard walks are £5.00 adults, £4.50 concessions, £2.50 children and familes £12.50. Entry to all other activities is free of charge.

For more information please contact Kent and Medway Biological Records Centre on 01795 532385.

Entry to the event and activities will be **FREE** but numbers will be limited for the bat walk and will need to be booked in advance. Please book early to avoid disappointment either by ringing the number above or emailing us at **info@kmbrc.org.uk**

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Showstopper to raise cash in memory of popular John

A CHARITY night of live music and dance will take place this week to raise money for a local hospice in memory of a much-loved theatre stalwart.

Showstopper at the Assembly Hall Theatre in Tunbridge Wells has been billed as a "fantastic night of live entertainment" and takes place on Friday.

The theatre is holding the event in memory of John Sumner, who was resident stage manager for nearly 40 years and in his later years worked as both duty manager and an usher.

Mr Sumner died last December at Hospice in the Weald and money raised by the concert will be donated to the charity where he spent his final days.

Rachel Holweger, corporate community fundraiser at the hospice, said: "This is going to be a fantastic night of live entertainment and we are delighted that everyone has given their time and support for Hospice in the Weald – the hospice is reliant on the efforts of our team of dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers."

The show-stopping event, featuring local bands and entertainment acts, is taking place on Friday, July 23, at 7.30pm.

Cheri Strudwick, marketing and development manager at the theatre, said: "The theatre is delighted this gala evening with song, dance and comedy is taking place at the Assembly Hall Theatre – John was truly loved at the theatre and is missed by all the theatre staff."

The show will be opened by local musician Richard Bellars and other events during the evening include a raffle, where prizes such as a magnum of Champagne and a flat screen TV are up for grabs.

An auction will also be held with four fantastic prizes – a hot air balloon flight, an aeroplane flight, two tickets for a day at Ascot including a private box and a three course dinner and two-night stay at the Hotel Du Vin that come with a show of your choice at the theatre.

The whole ticket value will be donated to the hospice and will help to raise funds to provide specialist palliative care advice and clinical support for people with life-limiting illness, their family and the bereaved.

For tickets, which cost £20 standing and £18 sitting, contact Celia Sumner on 01892 534814 or purchase them on the door.

To 3D and beyond

New technology adds depth to Stag Cinema's facilities

INVESTMENT: The newly installed 3D technology means cinemagoers will have an even better viewing experience next time they visit the Stag Cinema

By **JON COATES**
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BUZZ Lightyear and friends will jump out of the screen at viewers when Sevenoaks' cinema switches to 3D on Monday.

The Stag Cinema has installed the state-of-the-art technology at its London Road venue to bring all the latest movie releases to the town.

And its managers say this will allow the small independent cinema at the community arts centre to be able to compete with out-of-town multiplex venues.

The first film to be shown with 3D will be Toy Story 3 on Monday at 12.30pm, followed by screenings at 3pm, 5.30pm and 8pm.

This summer blockbuster sees Woody, Buzz and the rest of their toy box friends dumped at a day care centre after their owner, Andy, goes off to college.

The 3D technology enhances the illusion of depth perception for viewers, so it feels like the characters are jumping out of the screen.

To achieve the effect, projection hardware has been installed at the venue and cinemagoers have to wear special glasses.

The management of the Stag Community Arts Centre say the investment in 3D technology shows their commitment to investing in and improving the facility for families in Sevenoaks.

Linda Larter, chief executive of the Stag, said: "We are pleased to be able to bring residents the latest technology in cinematography. This is one of many new developments we are introducing this year for the benefit of the whole community.

"We would like people to think Stag Cinema whenever they see a trailer or preview for a new film in the media.

"We get the blockbuster films on the day of release, which used to be unheard of for a small independent.

"Our film bookers and distributors, along with our own box office and cinema manager, are always looking at improving the service we offer to customers and 3D has been in our sights since we first took over the management of the venue just over a year ago.

"Going from a zero audience to over 10,000 per month is a great achievement and we are grateful for the support by our excellent volunteers, who keep the wheels in motion.

"Anyone who wants to hire the cinema for their own screening of a 3D film will be able to do so."

• ***Tickets for 3D are £8 for adults, £6.50 for concessions and £20 for a family group, and are available from the box office by calling 01732 450175 or visiting www.stagsevenoaks.co.uk.***

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WIN! Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore goodie bags

AGENTS are urgently needed to join the Cats & Dogs Academy.

The academy will be in Royal Victoria Place, Tunbridge Wells, recruiting agents on Wednesday, July 28, in an urgent bid to save the world.

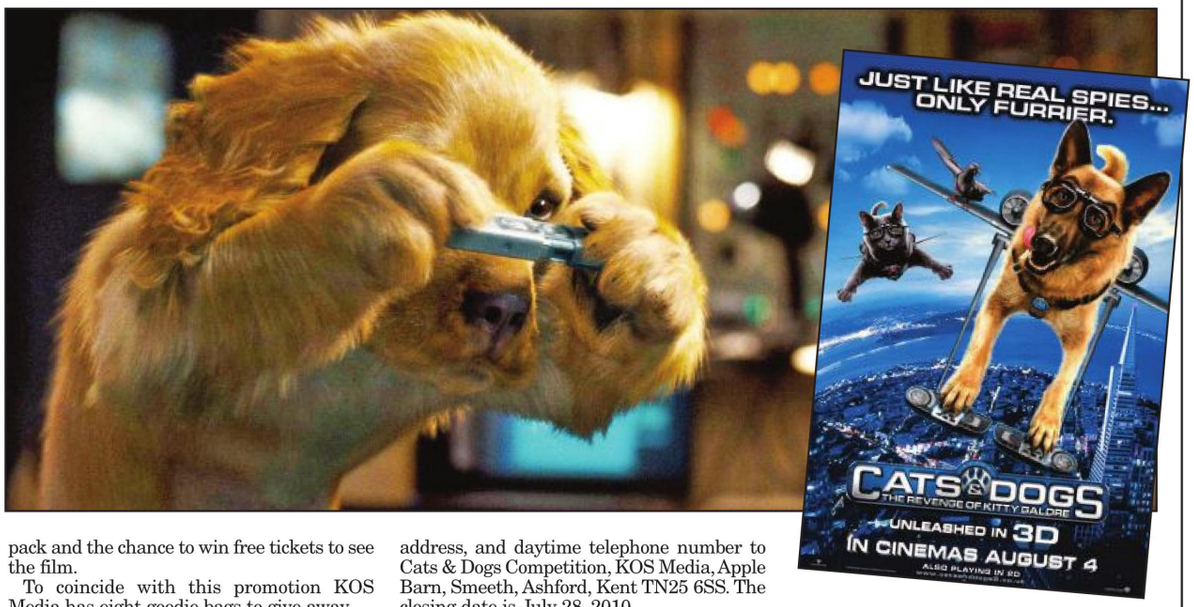
Kitty Galore, formerly an agent for cat spy organization MEOWS, has gone rogue and hatched a diabolical plan to not only bring her canine enemies to heel, but take down her former kitty comrades and make the world her scratching post.

Faced with this unprecedented threat, cats and dogs will be forced to join forces for the first time in history in an unlikely alliance to save themselves – and their humans – but they need your help.

Uniting together, cats and dogs are going on a nationwide search for cadets to help stop Kitty Galore in her tracks, but do you have what it takes to become a Cats & Dogs Super Agent?

The academy is touring a fully immersive Cats & Dogs experience including three zones, which aims to bring out the potential undercover agent in every kid.

The academy incorporates both the DOG HQ and the cat spy organization MEOWS, in which kids will have to complete fun tasks in order to be presented with a Cats & Dogs official certificate, Top Secret Dossier, as well as an activity book and (for those who achieve high scores) a limited edition goodie pack and the chance to win free tickets to see the film.



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Question: On what date will the Cats & Dogs Academy be recruiting agents in Tunbridge Wells?

No purchase necessary. For our full terms and conditions see www.kentnews.co.uk, or call 01303 817073.

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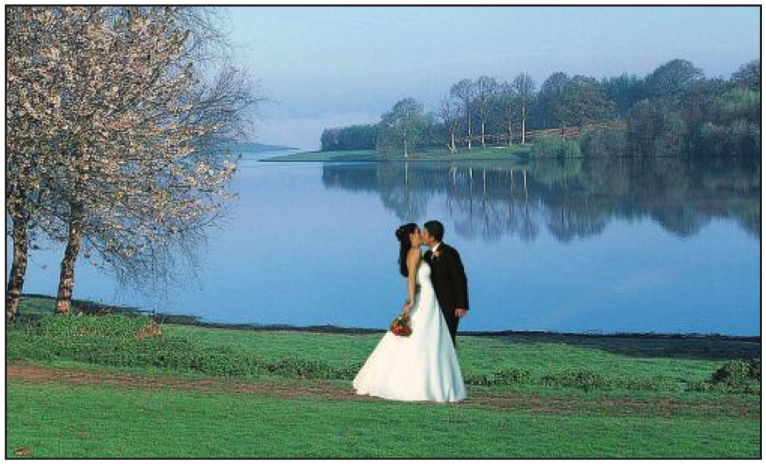

Bewl offers everything for your perfect big day

COUPLES can now get married on the banks of the biggest stretch of inland water in the south east, ***writes Jon Coates***.

Bewl Water, near Lamberhurst, has been granted a licence for wedding ceremonies and civil partnerships to be carried out inside its buildings and also in its grounds.

The giant reservoir, which is popular for sailing and fly-fishing, is surrounded by open countryside, part of which is used for the Christmas theme park Lapland UK.

A spokesman for Kent Attractions, which runs Bewl Water, said the site's newly refurbished Lakeside Suite is the perfect location for weddings and can cater for up to 150 dinner guests and a reception of up to 388.

The suite has a separate entrance and parking areas, and two rooms to use as the couple wish, with a licensed bar until 2am.

The facilities allow for a formal seated dinner or a barbecue on a lakeside terrace, and guests can make use of Bewl's other attractions, including a cruise on The Swallow, an 88-seater boat.

Vicky Hartley, of Bewl Hospitality, said: "People who have enjoyed the beauty of Bewl Water for many years now have the option to hold their special day with us, and we would invite couples still looking for the ideal picturesque location to get in touch and come and see for themselves.

"The use of the attractions definitely provides guests with the fun factor."

• For more information, call Katy O'Neill on 01892 893923 or email katy@bewlhospitality.co.uk.

In the latest in a short series of walks right on our doorstep, JANE CONNOLLY

Meander by

Pictures: JANE CONNOLLY

DISCOVER the beautiful Wealden countryside that has inspired national heroes with a walk around Westerham.

Sir Winston Churchill bought Chartwell, his long-time family home, mainly for its stunning views across the Weald and it provided much inspiration for his hobby of painting. Even when the business of war kept Churchill away from his beloved estate, he kept in constant contact with his household and when the Second World War was over, he saw out the rest of his days at Chartwell.

Taking a route from the Pathfinder ® Guide Kent, I set out on the five-mile walk which begins and ends in the town centre.

The route goes right past Chartwell and as the walk only takes about two and a half hours, you could combine it with a visit to Churchill's former home. Alternatively, pay a visit to Quebec House in Westerham, where General James Wolfe lived as a child.

If you enjoy lots of variety on walks, this is a great route which features woodland, open fields and a few interesting sights on the way, with enough hills to make you feel like you've worked those muscles.

Make sure you arrive early on sunny days, as the town's main car park – which is free on Sundays – can become very busy as lunchtime approaches. An alternative option is to park at Chartwell and start the walk from that point, but the attraction can also become very busy and parking fees apply.

The route offers the chance to admire Westerham's 14th century church and Churchill's memorial on the green, before heading out across the park belonging to Squerryes Court, an attractive 17th century manor house.

After following the edge of a stream, the path climbs a rather steep hill before crossing open parkland, giving glorious views back towards Westerham.

Prepare to feel a touch of envy as the route traverses a shallow valley, where two beautifully situated houses enjoy true tranquillity. After this short respite, you will find yourself

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FACT FILE

Westerham

- The town was also home to General James Wolfe, who was born in the vicarage and spent his childhood at the Grade I-listed Quebec House.
- Wolfe was a beloved public figure who died in battle in 1759, at the age of just 32.
- An exhibition about the Battle of Quebec can be seen at the house, which is open from Wednesday to Sunday. For admission prices and opening times, call 01732 866368 or see www.nationaltrust.org.uk.
- The baptism of General Wolfe is recorded in the register at the Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin, the earliest parts of which date back to the 14th century.
- Westerham was mentioned in the Domesday Book of 1086, under the name Oistreham, and has been a significant settlement for 1,000 years.
- A market is held in Westerham on the first and third Sunday of the month, selling locally produced bread, cheese, wine, vegetables, plants and other goods.
- For more details and information about other aspects of life in Westerham, see www.visitwesterham.org.uk.

THE WALK

- The route is five miles (8km) long and takes about two and a half hours
- Parking is available at the main town car park on the A25 and a footpath leads to the church
- Refreshments are available at pubs and cafes in Westerham
- The Ordnance Survey maps for the area are Landranger 188 (Maidstone & Royal Tunbridge Wells) and Explorer 147 (Sevenoaks & Tonbridge)
- Pathfinder® Guide Kent is published by Crimson Publishing, priced at £11.99

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Sunday 25 July – Magic of the 80s is the perfect party night out for everyone! This show includes 40 songs from artists such as Boy George, Wham, Madonna, Bon Jovi and the Human League, to name but a few!

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strolls through the wooded hillsides and tranquil valleys surrounding Westerham

the homes of our heroes

heading back uphill through rather creepy woodland that reminded me distinctly of Grimms' fairytales.

A steep descent leads back down to the road, before heading uphill again to what is surely the highlight of the walk – the view from Mariners Hill. As miles of Wealden countryside opens out before your eyes, it is easy to understand why Churchill was so captivated by this corner of Kent.

As the route joins the road at Chartwell, take particular care because there is no footpath and that stretch can be very busy.

Those who choose not to visit the estate can still get a sneaky peak at the back as the path climbs the shoulder of the hill and guides the way through woodland to French Street.

The route follows bridleways for long stretches and these can be incredibly muddy after wet weather, even when the rest of the path is relatively dry.

An interesting little private cemetery can be seen at French Street and there is a notice explaining its history.

The rest of the route is mostly woodland, as it heads towards Hosey Hill and takes walkers down between the pretty gardens of Charts Edge and an imposing plantation of conifers.

Finally, climb a steep bank and enjoy stunning views of Westerham as you make your weary way back down to the starting point.

Not too long but full of character, this walk is highly recommended. There are several hills which are steep but mercifully brief, so walkers of most abilities should enjoy the route.

FACT FILE

Chartwell

- Sir Winston Churchill bought Chartwell in 1922 and lived there until his death in 1965.
- His wife Clementine chose to move out of Chartwell following his death, but kept a close relationship with the house until she died in 1977.
- Visitors to the house can see many of Churchill's personal paintings in his garden studio.
- The house and studio are currently open from 11am to 5pm, Wednesday to Sunday, and will also be open on Tuesdays until August 24. The garden, shop and restaurant open on the same days and the car park is open from 9am to 5.30pm every day.
- Gift Aid admission costs £11.80 for adults, £5.90 for children and £29.50 for families. For more information visit www.nationaltrust.org.uk or call 01732 868381.

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CHRIS BRITCHER

Letting the carrier out of the bag

THERE comes a point where a plastic bag ceases to be useful and becomes, quite frankly, a liability.

And one well-known supermarket has got this down to a rather fine art.

Their carriers are now of such remarkable wafer-thin quality it's a wonder the mere heat of human touch alone doesn't cause the fragile fibres that cling to one another to melt away and resign themselves to collapse.

For they are the battery hens of the carrier bag world. Miserable looking, scrawny, thin things in desperate need of nourishment.

In fact, when they inevitably tear, it's more black hole than mere hole. It implodes upon itself; the bag almost disappearing as the smallest rip in its fabric invariably ensures the whole thing crumbles before your very eyes and within seconds becomes no longer recognisable as the item you confidently picked up, struggled to open, and opted to try and carry your shopping home in. It becomes like some sort of elaborate erotic piece of string-like plastic underwear and about as practical.

Even the brief stroll to your car seems beyond today's more feeble efforts.

In short, the supermarket bag is no longer fit for purpose. But we all pretend it is. We all still use them – unless we're suitably prepared, clutching half a dozen 'bags for life' – and the supermarkets still ram them up our noses despite noises a few years ago that the things were to be phased out.

But if you are foolish enough to think that any one bag will actually be suitable to carry home a bottle of wine and a bag of sugar, you are deluding only yourself.

In truth, you're lucky if they carry a newspaper and a teabag. And even then, the corner of the paper will probably play merry havoc and send your teabag tumbling to stew into the nearest puddle.

Of course, the bags should work. Of course, the slightest strain shouldn't shred them quicker than your eye can send an impulse to your brain saying 'Oh hang on, that looks like it might rip'.

Doesn't stop them of course. Doesn't ease the agony as your spuds hit the deck and provide a sort of comedy trampoline for the jars of jam and cooking sauce which follow hot on their heels before smashing themselves across the pavement.

It makes me wonder at the thought processes that must go on somewhere behind the scenes. That there must be some sort of quality test going on into these bags, and someone somewhere believes they're adequate.

I'm sure they argue about the thin, flimsy material being more ecologically sound. Less damaging to the environment. Just that when every other one rips and ruins and you have to use another, I ponder why not just make a stronger one in the first place, then you could re-use it, like you used to be able to.

They'd probably argue we should be using more sturdy 'bring our own' bags. Well, if that's the ultimate aim, then they should have the courage of their convictions and do as the French do – namely don't provide any bags unless there's a charge and then provide a decent one. That way we'll soon learn. But the reality is we expect the supermarket to provide the bags, and we expect the bags to actually carry our shopping as opposed to spraying it across the floor.

No doubt money lies behind this. Sure it probably costs a fraction of a pence more to build a bag which is capable of actually acting like a bag not a distributing-your-shopping-over-your-feet machine. Sure the savings probably allow them to build more of those self-service machines, which in turn allows them to save on having cashiers.

Which is all good, isn't it? Because I'd hate to think of supermarkets losing any of those astronomical profits by cutting corners on the things useful to us humble customers.

BAG IT AND BIN IT: Modern flimsy bags make supermarket shopping an ordeal

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We must save heritage

I thought your article in last week's paper on preservation efforts to save our historic buildings and monuments being threatened by the recession was timely.

I have been thinking for a while amidst all the reports of economic doom and gloom, and the vast budget cuts government departments will have to make, that heritage projects could be affected.

Keeping nurses in hospitals and teachers in school will always rightly attract support, as this is an emotive issue which directly affects people's lives.

But I think it will be a shame regretted by future generations if our historic buildings are left to crumble into ruin.

One of the things that gives this country an identity and brings in tourists are our stunning stately homes, castles, gardens and monuments.

These have architecture not found anywhere else in the world, which I hope will be preserved. It is good to see English Heritage recognising this and planning ahead.

I hope the new Government will back them and help the body find innovative ways of preserving our history, like with the Vivat Trust and community group working together to save Hadlow Tower.

Michael Matheson, Tonbridge.

Fact cats need cuts

Ever the optimist I have written the enclosed in the hope that the top earners in Kent County Council sacrifice part of their substantial earnings towards investing in some projects which might otherwise be cut.

After all, the Prime Minister did a similar PR job when he docked his own salary before proceeding with "that budget".

He obviously realised the country needed calming before the storm, so why not the people of Kent before their own particular budget bites?

Those of us who take an interest in such affairs realise that unless highly paid executives "cut their own cash before they slash" there might well be dire consequences.

For we already know the power of the internet comes very much into its own at times like these and, needless to say, the lines are buzzing already.

Finally, I do realise what I have written may appear provocative to some of your readers. However, it is because I genuinely care what happens in a few months time. I am hoping you will publish my appeal to those who are about to wield the axe.

Joan Langrick, by email.

It's not academic

Kent Green Party believes the current enthusiasm for academy schools is misplaced and will lead to more control by Government.

The move towards academy schools will widen the educational gap between rich and poor. There is no intention to properly resource schools in areas with the greatest needs under this scheme.

Under targeted policies, there would be far more assurance that lessons meet the needs of the children and society and assurance that children are not cherry picked to make schools look good. Education is a basic right and one that must be protected, governed properly and accountable, not privatised and made unaccountable.

The Government's claim that academies are raising standards is not proven. Covert and overt admissions and exclusion practices enable academies to skew their intakes in favour of those from higher-achieving backgrounds. Local authorities can 'direct' maintained schools to accept special needs children but can only 'ask' academies.

There is also increasing evidence of academies excluding more children than maintained schools.

Furthermore, academies are not covered by general education law which means their students and parents have fewer rights than those of schools in the maintained sector.

The sponsoring body of any academy has the power to appoint the majority of governors. Academies have high staff turnover rates and staff can be prey to discriminatory employment practices. Staff in academies deserve the same protection as those in the maintained sector.

While Michael Gove as Secretary of State for Education is slashing the rebuilding of hundreds of schools around the country he is promising extra money for any school that becomes an academy.

The divisive nature of this highlights our concerns about the tendency towards greater social segregation.

We are also concerned the government will use the October spending review to put academies and 'free' schools top of the priority list.

Stuart Jeffrey, campaigns officer for Kent Green Party.

VOTE NOW...

Each week we'll be giving you the chance to make your voice heard online on a major issue.

This week we want to know your views on the Government announcement that funding for new buildings for schools will be cut to save cash, which could affect plans for new academy sites in west Kent.

So the question is simply this: Is the Government right to stop new buildings for schools to save funds?

Answer yes or no by voting on the home page of www.yourtunbridgewells.co.uk, www.yourtonbridge.co.uk or www.yoursevenoaks.co.uk.

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Mark and Anjanette Andrews are proud to announce the birth of their beautiful baby boy Tom William, born on 27th June 2010, weighing 5lbs 15.5ozs. A brother for Ruby.

BATTERSHILL
Nathan and Lindsay would like to announce the birth of their daughter Elizabeth Jane weighing 5lb 11oz on 3rd June 2010 at Darent Valley Hospital, Dartford.

BROWN
Nicola and Stuart are delighted to announce the birth of their twins Taylor and Libby. Proud big sister is Caitlin.

CHHETRI
Abhinay and Mamata Chhetri announce the birth of their daughter, Aarushi Chhetri. Aarushi arrived at 9.28am on Friday, June 11, 2010, at Maidstone Hospital, Kent, UK. She weighed 9lbs 5ozs (4.230kg). Proud grandparents are Mrs and Mr Hari Prasad Chhetri, Gangtok Sikkim and Mrs and Mr Dal Bahadur Chhantel Thapa.Butwal, Nepal.

FURNER
Claire Procter and Paul Furner celebrate the birth of their daughter Eleanor. Born on the 25th June 2010, weighing 7lb 8oz.

HOWARD
Welcome to the world our bundle of JOY - beautiful Estelle, lots of love and kisses from Mummy and Daddy x x.

LEECH
Sarah and Mark of Margate are delighted to announce the birth of their son Ryan Leech, born on 2 July 2010 at QEQM Hospital. A Brother for Sean.

LEONARD
David and Alexandra are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Freddie, born on 3rd July 2010 weighing 7lb 12oz. A little brother for Ruby and Zak.

MANCHIP
Anna and Craig of Minster are delighted to announce the birth of their son Thomas Sidney Manchip, born on 5th July 2010 at QEQM Hospital. A brother for James and Alexander.

RENIHAN BURKE
May and Kieran of Walmer are delighted to announce the birth of their son Franklin Joseph Renihan Burke, born at home on 7th June 2010.

SMYTHE
Jayne and William of Canterbury are delighted to announce the birth of their son Toby George Smythe, born at home on 27th June 2010. You are the miracle who we will love and treasure forever.

STEVENSON
Ashley and Louise are delighted to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Amelia Paige, on 3rd July 2010 weighing 6lb.

WILLS
Tara and Andy are proud and very happy to announce the birth of Kayleigh, born on 2nd July at Darent Valley Hospital weighing 6lb 14oz.

DEATHS

BUTLER
Albert William Leonard Butler passed away peacefully in the Borough Green area on the 8th July 2010 aged 81. All enquiries to Sears Funeral Services 01732 883178.

CRAGGS
Patrick Craggs, 5th July 2010. Funeral at the Garden of England Crematorium at 4pm, 21st July. Flowers/ donations to John Weir, Rainham.

DONALDSON-CRAIG
Lucia died peacefully on the 27th June, 2010, aged 91. She was much loved and will be sadly missed. Funeral service will be held on 19th July 2010. No flowers please, but donations for Lifeboats. Sent to C/O John Weir Funeral Directors, 25 New Road, Chatham ME4 4QJ. 01634 408777.

ELDRIDGE
Estelle, beloved Mother, Sister, Grandmother and Great Nan, retired Lollipop Lady of Northumberland Heath, passed away after a short illness on 4th July 2010.

HOLL
Fred Holl of Minster, Ramsgate, passed away on 3rd July 2010, in the company of his loving wife and son, a release from a cruel illness. A special mention for Hockeredge Nursing Home and the staff at QEQM.

SAUNDERS
Mildred Saunders, late of Mead Road, Folkestone, passed away on 5th July 2010. Funeral at Hawkinge Crematorium on 20th July. Enquiries to Chittendens Funeral Directors Folkestone.

WILSHER
Margaret (Maggie) Wilsher died after a short illness on 28th June 2010 at the William Harvey Hospital, aged 60 years. Sadly missed by Alan and all family and friends.

WOOD
Derek Arthur Wood died on 8th July 2010, aged 71. Dearly loved husband of Patricia, father of Gary and Julie and grand-father of James, Daniel, Jack, and Luke. Funeral service at East Farleigh church at 2:30pm on Monday 19th July, followed by cremation service at Vinters Park at 3:30pm. Family flowers only but donations may be made to The Heart of Kent Hospice through Pickard and Beale, Brewer Street, Maidstone.

WOODWARD
Doris Mary (Doll) formerly of Crayford passed away peacefully on 6th July 2010 at Pinehurst House Sevenoaks aged 94. Much loved wife of the late Bill, Mother of Shirley and Nan of Paul and Stephen. She will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

IN MEMORIUM

DEACON
In memory of Marie and Bill Deacon, our beloved parents and grandparents. 10 years have gone by and never a day goes by that we don't think of you! We are so very proud to be your children and grandchildren. Love you for all eternity. So deeply missed, Billy, Gillian, Mark, Lorraine, Matthew, Terri-Leigh, Michael, Rikki, Samuel, Star, Josie & Grace.

A strange alliance

I am grateful to Cllr Trudy Dean, leader of the Lib Dem group at Kent County Council for having the courtesy to respond (Letters, last week) to my request for the views of the Conservative and Lib Dem councillors on the slashing of £23 million from infrastructure projects in west Kent.

Since then we have seen the Con-Dem coalition government cut the Building Schools for the Future programme, leaving thousands of young people in Kent and across the country to complete their education in sub-standard buildings.

That decision will also mean the construction industry and its suppliers will also suffer, running the risk of halting the economic recovery. But according to Cllr Dean, as chair of the cabinet scrutiny committee, she cannot scrutinise the impact of these two important cuts inflicted on Kent because she can only scrutinise reports to cabinet or a decision made by a cabinet member.

So we have to assume that the Conservative majority on KCC, together with its compliant Lib Dem "opposition", don't consider this scale of cuts important enough to bother reporting to cabinet.

No doubt, Cllr Dean will compliantly tell us that her Conservative chums won't let her look at major changes to the KCC's agreed budget any more. But why should they? After all, they're all in it together.

Cllr Mike Eddy, Labour, Dover District Council, Mill Hill, Deal

Facing the truth

Why is it that other countries are prepared to stand up for what their electorate want, but Britain remains too politically correct to respond to public opinion? Britain is often said to be the home of democracy, yet even in the face of clear public opinion to ban face-coverings in public, no party except UKIP is brave enough to propose such a ban.

It now appears France and Belgium are leading the way on this issue and the UK remains committed to social engineering until no-one knows what it means to be British and to whom they may be speaking.

Victor Webb, UKIP, Tunbridge Wells

Smiles and Sands

May we thank everyone who supported SANDS – the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society – by helping us raise £300 on our Smiley Faces tombola at the Ashford Street Festival last weekend.

This money will help fund research into why every day (on average) 17 babies die in the UK, and help support those affected.

Our thanks to the organisers of the festival for such a great event and to the scores of volunteers on the day who were so helpful.

Chris and Emma Twydell, SANDS fundraisers, Hothfield

Synthetic outrage

There have been quite a few people like Peter Read giving heart-rending stories about schools falling to pieces.

From the outcry you'd think only the public hanging of Michael Gove would satisfy the outrage. Did this all happen overnight as the new Government came in, or was it going on throughout Labour's years in office? I don't remember such a kerfuffle when they were in power. The outrage appears to be politically motivated and rather synthetic.

After failing to repair schools, it was easy for Labour to then promise any amount of money, knowing they wouldn't have to pick up the bill, after having racked up monumental debts and borrowed £1 in every four they spent. A situation even they knew was unsustainable. There had to be a day of reckoning if we were not to become a basket case like Greece.

Incidentally, for those fixated on only 'new' schools being able to provide a satisfactory education, I would remind them that many private schools are in ancient buildings and still provide an excellent education. Old buildings are no excuse for poor teaching.

Phil Granger, West Malling

A bunch of losers

Sitting in my garden over the last few weeks I have seen various 1940s aeroplanes passing over for air displays at Margate and Biggin Hill to commemorate Dunkirk, the Battle of Britain and other wartime anniversaries. When I bought some 60p stamps recently – the ones you need for sending letters to Germany – they had World War Two images on them. A visit to HMV at Bluewater revealed DVDs of Valkyrie, about a plot to kill Hitler. Why are we so obsessed with the war?

I know it was awful – the destruction, the slaughter and the jazz music – but it's time we forgot about it and lived in the present.

The USA won the war and the other partcipants lost. They seized our overseas assets as a result of Lend-Lease for armaments, pulverised Germany because of the Holocaust and then imposed a Jewish state on the British protectorate of Palestine, resulting in a holocaust of Arabs which in turn has led to aggrieved Muslims waging jihad on this country.

Let's not fixate on historic surrenders by Germany or Japan, but think seriously about the constant surrenders to the EU by our Quisling leaders over immigration, rubbish disposal and the closure of post offices; and surrenders to the USA over BP, extradition and foreign policy. We should vote UKIP, put oast houses on the stamps, and celebrate victory in the Falklands.

Quentin Williamson, Dartford

Marvellous gesture

On behalf of the Meningitis Trust, I would like to thank Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity for recently awarding us a grant of £15,000.

The charity exists to make seriously ill children's lives better and the foundation believes every child has the right to a good quality of life, no matter how ill they are, and raises money to support individuals and organisations, so sick children can receive the highest quality care, advice and support. We were thrilled to receive their support.

The grant will fund art therapy sessions we provide to children affected by meningitis. The trust provides professional support services along with art therapy, including counselling, financial grants, one-to-one contacts and a 24-hour helpline (0800 028 18 28).

If anyone has experienced meningitis and would like support, visit www.meningitis-trust.org or call the helpline number above.

Sarah Priestley, Meningitis Trust

Leaving a legacy

The World Health Organisation is predicting that this year cancer will overtake heart disease as the world's biggest killer.

Yet a recent survey revealed only half of people in Britain are aware they can reduce their cancer risk through a healthy diet and physical activity. We still have a long way to go in ensuring even more people know about our life-saving message that a third of the most common cancers could be prevented by following a healthy diet, being physically active and maintaining a healthy weight.

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Chris Stevens, legacies manager, WCRF

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Reforming the CAP

This week the European Parliament voted on the future of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). The CAP has often been described as "the lifeblood of farmers across Europe", or an "obstacle to international development", or even "a way for the French government to use money from all over Europe to pay for French farming".

George Lyon MEP, my Liberal Democrat colleague wrote the report that we passed. He proposes five key blocks to reform the CAP: food security and fair trade; sustainability; Europe-wide agriculture; biodiversity and environmental protection; and harnessing green growth potential.

The CAP is a vital tool but we must use it to encourage greener and more sustainable farming.

Direct support payments to farmers across Europe should be linked to efforts to reduce harmful emissions. A reformed and renewed CAP will treat farmers as part of the solution to climate change, not part of the problem.

Financial support needs to encourage the development of small scale renewables, promote further carbon capture and set a goal for the majority of European farmland to be covered by agri-environmental schemes.

Above all we must put fairness at the heart of these reforms.

In south-east England we have a huge agriculture sector, much of it here in Kent. About 62 per cent of our land is used for farming and we need to make sure our farmers receive a fair deal.

Receiving payments based on how you farmed in the last century should not dictate how payments are received in the years ahead. Historic payments were unjustified, unfair and should come to an end.

In passing this report we have sent a clear message to the commission and the governments of member states on what your representatives in the European Parliament, the MEPs, expect from CAP reform.

Catherine Bearder, Lib Dem MEP for Kent

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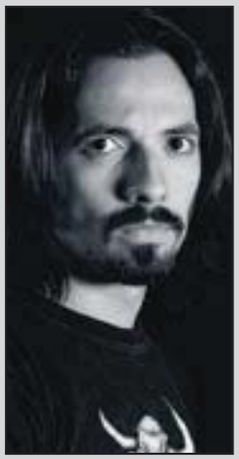

Collage earns fine art prize

A PHOTOGRAPHY student from the University for the Creative Arts at Rochester has won first prize in an international competition.

Nikitas Almpanis, pictured left, claimed the top award in the fine art – collage category at the Paris Prix de la Photographie for his image entitled 'It could be you next!'

He said: "The theme is uniformity in the workplace, which gradually leads to the crushing of individuality and the deterioration of character."

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Right philosophy on path to China

By **STEVE KNIGHT**
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CONFUCIUS classrooms have been set up in three Kent schools to act as centres of excellence for the teaching of Chinese.

Dartford Grammar, the New Line Learning Academy in Maidstone and Beths Grammar in Bexley will now specialise in the language as part of an initiative by the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust.

The organisation set up the world's first schools-based Confucius Institute in 2006 when it received permission from the Office of Chinese Language Council International.

Chief executive Elizabeth Reid said: "The teaching of Mandarin Chinese is increasingly important for the lives and careers of young people in this country.

"During the economic problems of the last two years, China's role in the global economy has strengthened while other economies – including our own – have faltered.

"This has underlined the necessity for young people to gain an understanding of China and its language, as many will be seeking jobs in the future for which this knowledge is essential." The Kent schools granted Confucius classroom status were among 22 celebrated at the SSAT's annual China conference, held at the Royal Society, London, this month.

The gathering also marked the launch of a new textbook for the teaching of Mandarin Chinese at Key Stage 3, which will be available to all schools from September.

Mrs Reid said an increase in the study of China across the curriculum was needed.

"More schools are recognising this and the 22 new Confucius classrooms join a strong network of schools driving the teaching of Chinese language and culture," she said.

"The Confucius Institute works with Hanban and Peking University to support schools as they grow their Chinese provision.

"Through this collaboration schools in our Chinese networks are able to develop effective teaching and learning resources and provide students with knowledge that will prepare them for success in the global economy."

THE University of Kent's head of engineering and digital arts has been awarded the 2010 Honeywell International Medal.

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With excellent assessment and intervention skills, you will help service users make significant changes to their substance use. Experience of working in partnership with other agencies is desirable. A background and qualification in substance misuse, nursing, counselling, social work or another relevant profession is essential.

If you would like to discuss this post further, please contact Sue Hamilton at shamilton@kca.org.uk or on 01843 298355 ext 217. Ref: 681.

Closing date: 26 July 2010 at 5.00pm.
Interview date: 6 August 2010.

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You will need a professional qualification in a relevant discipline and a high level of experience working with families and the drug and alcohol field. Please quote reference number 682 (Gravesham post) and 683 (Swale post).

Closing date: 26 July 2010.
Interview date for both posts : 5 August 2010.

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For an informal discussion regarding the role, please contact Ann Colyer, Finance Office Manager, on 01795 590795. Ref: 684.

Closing date: 23 July 2010.
Interview date: 11 August 2010.

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The Spencer Wing, QEQM Hospital, Ramsgate Road, Margate, Kent CT9 4BG
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***CLOSING DATE:* Friday 30 July 2010**

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For job description and application form please contact:
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Salary: Voluntary
Closing Date: 17/09/10
To apply/more information: Lynda Salisbury East Kent Mencap
Quoting Job Ref: EXC0001
Tel: 01843-224482
Email Lynda.Salisbury@eastkentmencap.co.uk

Nursing, Medicine, Care Work

Massage Therapist
Canterbury
Salary: 9-18 k per annum + bonuses
Closing Date: 30/07/10
To apply/more information: Practice Manager Wellness Practice
Quoting Job Ref: masthe 001
Tel: 01227 789977
Email admin@idealspinecentre.co.uk

Marketing, Sales and Communication
Canterbury
Salary: 12,500-26,500 depending on skils
Closing Date: 30/07/10
To apply/more information: Practice Manager Wellness Practice
Quoting Job Ref: 2010-02
Tel: 01227 789977
Email admin@idealspinecentre.co.uk

Assistant Manager
Folkestone
Salary: TBA
To apply/more information: Cumbria House Residential Home
Quoting Job Ref: kos
Tel: 01303 254019
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

Criminal Justice Worker
Ashford
Salary: £21,519 - £27,849
Closing Date: 19 July 2010
To apply/more information: KCA (UK)
Quoting Job Ref: 679
Tel: 01795 590795
Email applications@jobsforkent.co.uk

Night Staff
Sevenoaks
Salary: TBA
To apply/more information: Holywell Park Ltd
Quoting Job Ref: kos
Tel: 01732 822215
Email debbieholywell@aol.com

Person Centered Planning Support Workers x 2
Dartford
Salary: £10.39 per hour
Closing Date: Wednesday 21st July 2010
To apply/more information: North West Kent Council for Voluntary Services
Quoting Job Ref: kos
Tel: 01474 354479
Email jaki@nwkcvs.org

COMMUNITY SUPPORT WORKERS
Tunbridge Wells
Salary: £8.25 to £10.00 per hour
To apply/more information: TerraBlu Ltd
Quoting Job Ref: kos
Tel: 01892 529429
Email emma.foard@terrablu.co.uk

Carers
Tunbridge Wells
Salary: £6.32-£7.99 per hour
To apply/more information: SC Support & Care Services
Quoting Job Ref: kos
Tel: 01732 875888
Email info@supportandcareservices.co.uk

RESIDENTIAL SUPPORT WORKERS
Thanet
Salary: £11,620 - £18,500 PA
To apply/more information: Bene Care
Quoting Job Ref: kos
Tel: 01732 740088
Email headoffice@benecareltd.co.uk

Community Drug Worker
Sittingbourne
Salary: £26,276 - £29,236
Closing Date: 26 July 2010 at 5.00pm
To apply/more information: KCA (UK)
Quoting Job Ref: 681
Tel: 01795 590795
Email recruitment@kca.org.uk

Family Support Workers - Gravesham
Gravesend
Salary: £22,958 - £29,236
Closing Date: 26 July 2010
To apply/more information: KCA (UK)
Quoting Job Ref: 682
Email recruitment@kca.org.uk

Family Support Workers - Swale
Sittingbourne
Salary: £22,958 - £29,236
Closing Date: 26 July 2010
To apply/more information: KCA (UK)
Quoting Job Ref: 683
Tel: 01795 590795
Email recruitment@kca.org.uk

REGISTERED MANAGER – SUPPORT AT HOME SERVICE
Gravesend
Salary: £12,000 p.a.
Closing Date: 10th August 2010
To apply/more information: Alzheimers & Dementia Support
Quoting Job Ref: kos
Tel: 01474 533990
Email adminadss@btconnect.com

Sports Therapist
Canterbury
Salary: £12k - £20k depending on skills
Closing Date: 30/07/2010
To apply/more information: Practice Manager Wellness Practice
Quoting Job Ref: SPORTS 001
Tel: 01227 789 977
Email lesleyadmin@googlemail.com

SENIOR SUPPORT WORKERS
Sittingbourne
Salary: £15,250
To apply/more information: ACH Care Homes Ltd
Quoting Job Ref: kos
Tel: 0208 502 8871
Email louise.burrows@achuk.com

Highways - District of Ashford

A28 CANTERBURY ROAD JUNCTION WITH SIMONE WEIL AVENUE, ASHFORD (PROHIBITION OF U -TURNS) (TRAFFIC REGULATION) ORDER 2010

Notice is hereby given that Kent County Council proposed to make an Order under sections 1(1) and (2), 2(1) to (3) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Act:

The Order will prohibit any vehicle making a U-Turn travelling south eastwards on Simone Weil Avenue and then north westwards on Simone Weil Avenue, Ashford.

Full details are contained in the draft Order which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at the Ashford Borough Council, Civic Centre, Tannery Lane, Ashford, between 9.00am and 5pm and at Sessions House, Maidstone.

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order you should send the grounds in writing to Transport & Development, Kent Highway Services, Ashford Highway Depot, Javelin Way, Henwood Industrial Estate, Ashford, TN24 8AD or by email to t.d.ashford.swale@kent.gov.uk by Monday 9 August 2010.

BROOKFIELD ROAD & LEACON ROAD, ASHFORD (20 MPH SPEED LIMIT) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of junction modifications and improvements, the Kent County Council intends to make an order restricting traffic on Brookfield Road and Leacon Road, Ashford to impose a temporary mandatory speed limit of 20 mph, when the relevant signs are displayed on site.

This takes effect on or after 2 August 2010 for up to 5 months or until the works have been completed.

The sections of road affected are as follows:

B2229 Brookfield Road: from the roundabout junction with the A28 Chart Road south-eastwards to the existing 30mph / 40 mph signs

Leacon Road: from the junction with Brookfield Road extending north-eastwards for a distance of 65 meters past the 30 mph / 40 mph signs, and extending into Beaver Lane for a distance of approximately 17 meters.

HUNTER ROAD, ASHFORD (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) ALBEMARLE ROAD, ASHFORD (PROHIBITION OF WAITING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of carriageway repairs, the Kent County Council intends to make an order prohibiting traffic on Hunter Road, Ashford on or after 27 July 2010 for up to 2 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed for its entire length. There will be no access for though traffic between the junctions with A292 Hythe Road and Osborne Road.

The alternative route is via A292 Hythe Road, Albemarle Road and Osborne Road.

Because of the use of Albemarle Road as a diversion route, waiting will be prohibited on the west side of Albemarle Road between the junctions with Osborne Road and Glover Road, and Glover Road and Hythe Road.

Highways - District of Canterbury

BOSSINGTON ROAD, ADISHAM (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of a bridge inspection on behalf of Network Rail, the Kent County Council has made an order prohibiting traffic on Bossington Road, Adisham on or after 19 July 2010 for up to 1 day.

The road will be closed at at the railway bridge.

The signposted alternative route is via Love Lane, B2046 Adisham Road and Station Road

ORCHARD STREET, CANTERBURY (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of BT works to rebuild a manhole, the Kent County Council intends to make an order prohibiting traffic on Orchard Street, Canterbury on or after 2 August 2010 for up to 3 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between the junctions with St Dunstan's Street and Church Street.

The alternative route is via St Dunstan's Street, London Road, St Dunstan's Terrace and Orchard Street.

VARIOUS ROADS, HERNE BAY (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of gas mains replacement, the Kent County Council intends to make an order prohibiting traffic on Various Roads, Herne Bay on or after 2 August 2010 for up to 10 weeks or until the works have been completed.

The roads will each be closed at at their junctions with Sea Street, as shown on the Schedule below.

Road name:	**Sandown Drive**
Dates:	From 2 August 2010 for up to 2 weeks
Alternative route:	Via Sea Street, Albany Drive and The Circus
Road name:	**Bognor Drive**
Dates:	From 16 August 2010 for up to 2 weeks
Alternative route:	Via Sea Street and Fleetwood Avenue
Road name:	**St Anne's Drive**
Dates:	From 30 August 2010 for up to 2 weeks
Alternative route:	Via Sea Street and Fleetwood Avenue
Road name:	**Cobblers Bridge Road**
Dates:	From 13 September 2010 for up to 4 weeks
Alternative route:	Via Fleetwood Avenue and Cross Street
Road name:	**Central Avenue - south bound only**
Extent:	From the junction with Carlton Hill (N.B. it will become one-way from The Sea Street roundabout to Carlton Hill)
Dates:	From 13 September 2010 for up to 4 weeks
Alternative route:	Via Grand Drive, Cliff Drive and Carlton Hill

HIGHWAYS - District Of Dover

MILL LANE, WORTH (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of BT cabling and jointing works, the Kent County Council has made an order prohibiting traffic on Mill Lane, Worth from 19 July 2010 for 5 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between 'Toe Tippers' and Mill Cottages. There will be no access for though traffic between the junctions with Deal Road and Updown Road.

The signposted alternative route is via Deal Road, Felderland Lane, A256 Eastry By-pass, Hay Hill and Hay Lane.

MOAT SOLE & WOODNESBOROUGH ROAD, SANDWICH (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of gas mains replacement, the Kent County Council has made an order prohibiting traffic on Moat Sole & Woodnesborough Road, Sandwich from 19 July 2010 for a total period of up to 16 weeks or until the works have been completed.

From 6 September 2010 for approximately 8 weeks, there will be a pause in these works to allow other works nearby to go ahead. The works are then planned to resume on 1 November 2010, with an additional break over the Christmas period.

The roads will be closed in rolling sections starting outside 18 & 20 Moat Sole working along Woodnesborough Road to the junction with Sandwood Road.

The alternative routes will be westbound via Cattle Market, Harnet Street, Strand Street, High Street, New Street and St Bart's Road; eastbound via Woodnesborough Road, St Bart's Road, New Street and Cattle Market

EYTHORNE ROAD, SHEPHERDSWELL (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of the installation of a new electrical supply, the Kent County Council intends to make an order prohibiting traffic on Eythorne Road, Shepherdswell on or after 5 August 2010 for up to 1 day or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed outside house number 40. There will be no access for though traffic between The Glen and Penfold Gardens.

The alternative route is via Church Hill, Mill Lane and Great Haynes.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Gravesham

STATION APPROACH, MEOPAHM (TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PARKING BAYS) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order suspending the parking bay order on Station Approach, Meopham between Kings Estate Agents and The Railway Tavern.

The Order will become effective on 2nd August 2010, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to last 5 days. This suspension will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate Murphys Ltd carrying out works on behalf of EDF Energy.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Maidstone

COX STREET & YELSTED ROAD, STOCKBURY (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Cox Street outside the Water Works on or after Monday 19th July 2010 for a period of up to 2 days and Yelsted Road from Hill Green Road to Yaugher Lane on or after Monday 9th August 2010 for 2 weeks or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for Cox Street is via Yelsted Lane, Yelsted Road, Yaugher Lane, Magpie Lane and for Yelsted Road via Hill Green Road, Cradles Road.

South East Water Ltd apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary to lay a water main. Should you require any further information regarding these works, the contact is Nicola Stone on 01634 873290.

CHART HILL ROAD, BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Chart Hill Road at the Hertsfield Bridge on or after Saturday 24th July 2010 for 1 day or until such works are completed.

The alternative route is via Maidstone Road, A229 Staplehurst Road, A229 Linton Hill, B2163 Heath Road, B2163 Plough Wents Road, Chart Corner, Warmlake Road, Chart Hill Road and vice versa.

Kent Highway Services apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary to carry out a survey on the bridge. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is Rebecca Harry of Jacobs on 01622 666000

A229 CHATHAM ROAD (NORTHBOUND), BOXLEY (AT JUNCTION 6 OF THE M20 MOTORWAY) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because essential bridge repair works are proposed to be executed on or near the road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on both the A229 Chatham Road Northbound Main Carriageway, Boxley between the Running Horse Roundabout off slip to the Cobtree Roundabout on slip and on the A229 Chatham Road Northbound Distributor Road, Boxley between the Running Horse Roundabout to the Cobtree Roundabout. These closures will be put into operation as required between the hours of 2100hrs to 0600hrs weekday/ Sunday evenings and between 2100hrs to 0900hrs Saturday evenings into Sunday morning. The closures will not be in operation at the same time.

This order will come into effect from Monday 2nd August 2010 for a period of up to 10 weeks or until the works are completed.

The alternative route for closure of the A229 Chatham Road Northbound Main Carriageway is via the Running Horse Roundabout off slip, Running Horse Roundabout, A229 Chatham Road Northbound Distributor Road and Cobtree Roundabout.

The alternative route for the closure of the A229 Chatham Road Northbound Distributor Road is via the Running Horse Roundabout, A229 Royal Engineers Road Southbound, Royal Engineers Roundabout, A229 Royal Engineers Road Northbound and A229 Chatham Road Northbound. Traffic wishing to gain access to the M20 Coast bound will then be directed via the A229 northbound to the Lord Lees Roundabout at the top of Bluebell Hill and then via the A229 southbound to join the M20 from the Cobtree Roundabout.

Balfour Beatty Mott MacDonald apologise for any inconvenience caused by these bridge repairs. For further information or comment please call Balfour Beatty Mott MacDonald (Hazel Greenin) on 02034 332000.

HIGHWAYS - District of Sevenoaks

BRITTAINS LANE, SEVENOAKS (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Brittains Lane, Sevenoaks between its junctions with Marlborough Crescent and A224 London Road.

The Order will become effective on 2nd August 2010, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to last 1 week. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the restriction above will be via: A224 London Road, Braeside Avenue and Brittains Lane.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate carriageway patching on the A224 London Road, Sevenoaks.

HIGHWAYS - District of Shepway

ALBERT ROAD, HYTHE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of duct installation works on behalf of BT, the Kent County Council has made an order prohibiting traffic on Albert Road, Hythe from 19 July 2010 for 1 week or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed at between the junctions with St Leonard's Road and Windmill Street.

The signposted alternative route is via St Leonard's Road and Windmill Street.

VARIOUS ROADS, FOLKESTONE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of Carriageway repairs the Kent County Council has made an order prohibiting traffic on Various Roads, Folkestone, as shown in the Schedule below, from 21 July 2010 for 2 weeks or until the works have been completed.

Road name:	**Connaught Road**
Extent:	Around the junction with Guildhall Street
Dates:	21 July 2010 for one morning
Alternative route:	Coolinge Road and Guildhall Street - There will be local access for residents up to the point of closure
Road name:	**Coolinge Road**
Extent:	Around the junction with Guildhall Street
Dates:	21 July 2010 for 1 afternoon
Alternative route	Cheriton Road, Connaught Road and Guildhall Street - There will be local access for residents of up to the point of closure
Road name:	**Brockman Road**
Extent:	For its entire length
Dates:	22 July 2010 for 2 days; the junction with Cheriton Road will be closed from 9.00 pm on 21 July 2010
Alternative route:	Cheriton Road and Coolinge Road
Road name:	**Watkin Road**
Extent:	Between the junctions with Pavilion Road and Russell Road
Dates:	1 August 2010 for 1 day
Alternative route:	Via Pavilion Road and Russell Road
Road name:	**Archer Road**
Extent:	For its entire length
Dates:	2 August for 1 day
Alternative route	Canterbury Road, Linden Crescent and Dawson Road

VARIOUS ROADS, THE DISTRICT OF SHEPWAY (PROHIBITION OF STOPPING OUTSIDE OF SCHOOLS) (CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2010

Notice is hereby given that Kent County Council propose to make the above named Order under Sections 1, 2 and 124 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:

This Order is necessary for safety reasons, and will make stopping on the "School Keep Clear" zig-zag markings on the following lengths or road from Mondays to Fridays from 8.00am to 5.00pm during school term times an infringement which may be dealt with by the issue of a penalty charge notice.

The locations are-

Station Road, New Romney

On the northern side

(a) from a point 7 meters west of the centre line of The Churchlands at the junction with Station Road for a distance of 44 meters in an easterly direction;

(b) from a point 36 metres east of the centre line of The Churchlands at the junction with Station Road for a distance of 38 metres in a westerly direction.

The Order will also consolidate for administrative purposes only the existing School Keep Clear markings on the following roads in Folkestone where nothing will be change on street:

Biggins Wood Road, Brockman Road, Chart Road, Foreland Avenue, Sidney Street,

The Durlocks, Walton Road and Warren Road.

Full details are contained in the draft Order which together with the relevant plans any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of the Council's reasons for proposing to make the Order, may be examined on Mondays to Fridays in the offices of Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, between 9.00am and 5.00pm.

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order, you should send the grounds for your objection in writing to Highway Services, Transport and Development, Ashford Highway Depot, Javelin Way, Henwood Industrial Estate, Ashford, TN24 8AD or by email to td.dover.shepway@kent.gov.uk by noon on Monday 9 August 2010

PELICAN CROSSING – STATION ROAD, NEW ROMNEY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT, 1984 (AS AMENDED)

Notice is hereby given that Kent County Council, as local traffic authority, and after consultation with the chief officer of police, propose to establish a crossing (Pelican) for pedestrians under Section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all their enabling powers, as follows:

Station Road, New Romney:

85 metres west of the centre line of The Churchlands at the junction with Station Road, New Romney.

HIGHWAYS - District of Thanet

LOMBARD STREET, MARGATE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is given that because of the installation of a new gas supply, the Kent County Council has made an order prohibiting traffic on Lombard Street, Margate from 19 July 2010 for up to 5 days.

The road will be closed between the junctions with New Cross Street and Hawley Street.

The One-way Traffic Order in respect of New Cross Street will be reversed, so that traffic travels from Lombard Street to New Street, as and when the appropriate signage is displayed.

The signposted alternative route is via New Cross Street and New Street.

For further information, please contact Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways

Kent Highway Services

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Tonbridge & Malling

A20 LONDON ROAD WHITE HILL ROUNDABOUT, BULL LANE AND A227 BOROUGH GREEN ROAD, WROTHAM (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on A20 London Road White Hill Roundabout, Bull Lane between The High Street and the A20 and A227 Borough Green Road between the A20 and Borough Green Road on or after Tuesday 20th July 2010 for a period of up to 5 nights between 22:00hrs and 05:00hrs or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for A227 Borough Green Road is via A227 Borough Green Road, A227 Wrotham Road, A227 Western Road, A25 Borough Green Road, A25 Ightham By-Pass, A25 Sevenoaks Road, A25 Maidstone Road, A25 High Street, A25 Seal Road, A225 Otford Road, A225 Sevenoaks Road, A225 Shoreham Road, A225 Eynsford Road, A20 Gorse Hill, A20 London Road, for Bull Lane via Borough Green Road and then as above, for A20 London Road eastbound as above vice versa and for A20 westbound via A25 Maidstone Road, A25 Sevenoaks Road and then join above diversion on A25 Borough Green Road.

Kent Highway Services apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary for essential carriageway resurfacing works. Should you require any further information the Kent Highway Services contact is Robert Seggie on 08458 247 800.

NEW WHARF ROAD, TONBRIDGE (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) (SUSPENSION OF ONE WAY ORDER) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on New Wharf Road from the junction of The High Street to the loading bay for Somerfield on or after 08:00hrs Saturday 24th July 2010 to 07:00hrs Monday 26th July 2010 or until such works are completed.

The one way orders on New Wharf Road, River Walk and Bradford Street are temporarily suspended during the time of the works to allow for access to The High Street via Bradford Street.

EDF Energy, Southern Gas Networks, South East Water, Virgin Media and BT apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary to provide new connections. Should you require any further information regarding these works, the contacts are: EDF – Ed Spalding on 01342 413633, SGN – Kim Gibbons on 01279 792233, BT – Simon Parsons on 01732 366650, SEW – Sarah Cameron on 01634 276166, Virgin Media – on 01634 303976.

A228 MALLING ROAD, BEECH ROAD, MEREWORTH & B2016 SEVEN MILE LANE (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) (PROHIBITION OF RIGHT TURNS) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on A228 Malling Road, Mereworth between Beaufighter Road and The Street and from accessing Beaufighter Road from Beech Road and vice versa on or after Sunday 25th July 2010 until 5th September 2010 or until such works are completed.

The right hand turns for traffic travelling in a northerly direction on B2016 Seven Mile Lane should be prohibited into the following roads: Willow Wents, Beech Road, Comp Lane, Teston Road and A20 London Road.

An exception will be made to allow buses only, to turn right from B2016 Seven Mile Lane into Teston Road.

The alternative route for A20 London Road will be westbound to the Nepicar (M26) roundabout, returning eastbound to A20 London Road.

Southern Gas Networks and Kent Highway Services apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary for gas mains replacement and carriageway repairs. Should you require any further information regarding these works, the contacts are John Adsley for SGN on 01233 714082 and Robert Seggie for Kent Highway Services on 08458 247 800.

HATHEM GREEN LANE STANSTEAD (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Hathem Green Lane Stanstead from outside Parsonage Farm on or after Monday 2nd August 2010 up to 5 days or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the restriction described above is Plaxdale Green Road, Malthouse Road, Pease Hill, South Ash Road and Ash Lane and vice versa.

EDF apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary to install a new electrical supply.

Should you require any further information the contact is Steve Bicknell on 0800 0835234.

R/O 45 BRADBOURNE LANE, DITTON (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC ORDER) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intend to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Bradbourne Lane, Ditton Tuesday 3rd August 2010 for a period of up to 3 Days or until such works are completed.

The alternative route for the route described above Bradbourne Lane along St Peters Road then along New Road and London Road (A20).

South East Water apologise for any inconvenience caused by the work to provide a water connection to 4 properties

Should you require any further information about these works, the contact is Bob Harrison on 07734 85923.

WOODLANDS ROAD, DITTON (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

NOTICE is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Woodlands Road between New Road and Primrose Drive on or after Wednesday 4th August 2010 for a period of up to 6 working days or until such works are completed.

The alternative route is via New Road, A20 London Road, Woodlands Road.

Kent Highway Services apologise for any inconvenience caused by these works, which are necessary for essential carriageway resurfacing works. Should you require any further information the Kent Highway Services contact is Robert Seggie on 08458 247 800.

HIGHWAYS - Borough of Tunbridge Wells

BENENDEN ROAD, CRANBROOK (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road, the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Benenden Road from Fridays to Tilsden Lane, on or after Monday 19th July 2010 for an estimated period of up to 3 days or until such works are completed.

The alternative route is via Tilsden Lane, Golford Road, New Pond Road, Mounts Hill, Cranbrook Road.

EDF Energy apologise for any inconvenience caused, which are necessary to repair the carriageway. Should you require any further information regarding these works, their contact is Colin Marsh of Skanska Utilities Ltd on 02075 104000.

SANDHURST ROAD, TUNBRIDGE WELLS (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on Sandhurst Road between A264 Pembury Road and Sherwood Road on or after Sunday 25th July 2010 for a period of up to 5 weeks or until such works are completed.

The alternative route is for northbound traffic via A264 Pembury Road, A264 Calverley Road, A264 Crescent Road, A264 Church Road, A26 London Road, A26 Grosvenor Road, Upper Grosvenor Road, Sandhurst Road and southbound as above but uses Meadow Road and Goods Station Road at the junction of Upper Grosvenor Road and Grosvenor Road.

Southern Gas Networks apologise for any inconvenience caused by these essential works, which are necessary for gas mains replacement. Should you require any further information about these works, their contact is John Adsley on 0800 111999.

VARIOUS ROADS, SPELDHURST (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting the use by through traffic on the routes described in the Schedule.

The alternative routes as described will be noted in the schedule. Access will be maintained up to the points of closure. The Order will become effective on Sunday 25th July 2010, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months.

Schedule

Road name:	**Barden Road, Speldhurst**
Extent:	Northfields to Furzefield Avenue
Dates:	Start: 25th July 2010 / End: 6th September 2010
Diversion:	Barden Road, B2176 Penshurst Road, Poundsbridge Lane, Penshurst Road, Speldhurst Hill
Road name:	**Northfields, Speldhurst**
Extent:	Junction with Barden Road
Dates:	Start: 23rd August 2010 / End: 17th September 2010
Diversion:	Barden Road, Speldhurst Hill, Penshurst Road, Northfields
Road name:	**Northfields, Speldhurst**
Extent:	Junction with Penshurst Road
Dates:	Start: 4th October 2010 / End: 8th November 2010
Diversion:	Penshurst Road, Speldhurst Hill, Barden Road, Northfields
Road name:	**Penshurst Road, Speldhurst**
Extent:	Northfields to The Old Oast
Dates:	Start: 11th October 2010 / End: 8th November 2010
Diversion:	Penshurst Road, Speldhurst Hill, Barden Road, Northfields
Road name:	**Penshurst Road, Speldhurst**
Extent:	Northfields to Milford House
Dates:	Start: 8th November 2010 / End: 6th December 2010
Diversion:	Penshurst Road, Poundsbridge Lane, B2176 Penshurst Road, Barden Road, Northfields

The purpose of the Order is to facilitate gas mains replacement works to be undertaken by Southern Gas Networks.

Please note: Access will be maintained for all residents, businesses and their visitors as much as possible during the works.

For further information please call John Adsley of SGN on 08458 070 1431.

A228 MAIDSTONE ROAD & A228 WHETSTED ROAD, CAPEL (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) (30MPH SPEED RESTRICTION) TEMPORARY ORDER 2010 THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that because works are proposed to be carried out on or near a road the Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic traveling at any speed greater than 30mph on A228 Maidstone Road from Maidstone Road to B2017 Badsell Road and A228 Whetsted Road from Whetsted Farm to Lindow Lea Farm on or after Monday 2nd August 2010 for a period of up to 12 days or until such works are completed. Also through traffic will be prohibited on A228 Maidstone Road from Maidstone Road to Alders Road between 19:00hrs and 07:00hrs on or after Saturday 7th August/ 8th August 2010 and Saturday 14th August/15th August 2010 or until such works are completed.

The alternative route is via B2017 Five Oak Green Road, B2017 Tudeley Lane, A26 Woodgate Way, A2014 Pembury Road, A21 Castle Hill, A21 Tonbridge Road, Tonbridge Road, A228 Pembury Northern By-Pass and vice versa.

Kent Highway Services apologise for any inconvenience caused, which are necessary for essential highway works. Should you require any further information, the contact is Darren Hickman on 08458 247 800.

For further information, please contact Kent Highway Services, on 08458 247 800 (local rate) or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways

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THE MARRIAGE ACT 1949 AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP ACT 2004

APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

An application has been made to Kent County Council to grant an approval for the following premises to act as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: **The Fighting Cocks, The Street, Horton Kirby**

Applicant: **Christopher Maskery**

The application and plan of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the grant of an approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

Giles Adey
Head of Registration
1st Floor, Invicta House,
Maidstone, ME14 1XX

Kent County Council

GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

Martin Clive Glidewell trading as MTRANS of 23 Birkdale Road, Abbeywood, London, SE2 9HU is applying to change an existing licence as follows.
To add an operating centre to keep 1 goods vehicles and 1 trailers at Unit 8, Mulberry Way, Belvedere, Kent, DA17 6AN
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APPROVED PREMISES FOR CIVIL MARRIAGES & CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS

Applications have been made to Kent County Council to grant a renewal of an approval for the following premises to act as venues for the solemnisation of civil marriages and civil partnerships:-

Name of Premises: **Tonbridge Castle, Castle Street, Tonbridge**
Applicant: **Elizabeth Roberts**
Name of Premises: **Sevenoaks Town Council, Bradbourne Vale Road, Sevenoaks**
Applicant: **Ann White**

The applications and plans of the premises may be inspected at the address below during normal office hours. Any person may give notice in writing of an objection to the renewal of the grant of approval, together with the reasons, within 21 days from the date of this newspaper. Objections should be sent to the address below.

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TUNBRIDGE WELLS BOROUGH COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) ORDER 1995

NOTICE OF THE MAKING OF A DIRECTION UNDER ARTICLE 4(1) TO WHICH ARTICLE 6 APPLIES

NOTICE is hereby given that Tunbridge Wells Borough Council ("the Authority") has made a Direction under Article 4(1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 to which Article 6 applies ("the Direction").

The Direction applies to development of the type specified in the First Schedule to this Notice within the area described in the Second Schedule to this Notice.

The effect of the Direction is that permission granted by article 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development Order) 1995 shall not apply to development of the type specified in the First Schedule to this Notice and that such development shall not be carried out within the area specified in the Second Schedule to this Notice unless planning permission is granted by the Authority on an application made to the Authority under Part III of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

A copy of the Direction and of the map defining the area of land covered by it may be seen at the Council's Tunbridge Wells Gateway, 8 Grosvenor Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 2AB between the hours of 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday (except Thursday 9am to 6.30pm) or 10am and 4pm on Saturday.

You have the right to make representations or objections in respect of the Direction. Any such representations or objections must be made in writing to the Head of Planning Services, Town Hall, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN1 1RS, within 21 days from the 19 July 2010.

The Direction was made by the Authority on 13 July 2010 and comes into force in relation to the area specified in the Second Schedule to this Notice on the 17 July 2010 which is the date on which this Notice is first published. However, the Direction will expire on 16 January 2011 unless confirmed by the local planning authority before the end of the six month period.

FIRST SCHEDULE

The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995

SCHEDULE 2 PART 2 - MINOR OPERATIONS

Class A

The erection, construction, maintenance, improvement or alteration of a gate, fence, wall or other means of enclosure.

SCHEDULE 2 PART 4 - TEMPORARY BUILDINGS AND USES

Class B

The use of the land for any purpose for not more than 28 days in total in any calendar year, of which not more than 14 days in total may be for the purposes referred to in paragraph B.2, and the provision on the land of any movable structure for the purpose of the permitted use.

SECOND SCHEDULE

A parcel of land having an area of some 0.606524 hectares west of Pixot Hill, Brenchley, Kent.

Paul Cummins, Legal Services Manager,
Tunbridge Wells Borough Council,
Town Hall, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 1RS

Dated : 17 July 2010

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Town and Country Planning Acts

The Council is required to give notice of the following applications

10/01816/LBC St Georges Club The Street, Benenden
- Listed Building Consent - Installation of small mezzanine storage floor (LB)

10/02036/FUL OS Plots 3100 & 3600 Crittenden Road, Brenchley
- Part retrospective: New entrance crossover, drive, fencing and gate for Mr & Mrs T Lear (PROW)

10/02142/FUL 61A Grosvenor Road Royal Tunbridge Wells, Culverden
- Removal and installation of four windows located at the front of the property (CA)

10/02162/LBC Summerhill House/The Cottage 73 London Road, Culverden
- Listed Building Consent: Works of alteration and repair to facilitate the use of the building as a single family dwelling (LB)

10/02161/HOUSE Providence Chapel Biddenden Road, Frittenden
- Modification of existing extension to include: removal of roof and rear wall, extension to the rear of the existing extension, new raised roof to create new first floor within the extension for Mr R Hyam (LB) (PROW)

10/02186/FUL Three Chimneys Farm Bedgebury Road, Goudhurst
- Use of land for sand school for Mrs Marion Fuller (PROW)

10/02209/HOUSE 2 Fair Throws Conghurst Lane, Hawkhurst
- Extension of Time: Two-storey rear extension (TW/05/01416/FUL refers) for Mr & Mrs L Hughes (PROW)

10/02145/FUL Black Pig Pub 18 Grove Hill Road, Park
- External staircase from first floor at the rear of the property (CA)

10/02169/FUL 18 Poundfield Sandhurst, Sandhurst
- Erection of a detached chalet bungalow on land adjacent (CA) (LB)

10/02203/FUL Builder Center Longfield Road, Sherwood
- Variation of condition 6 TW/91/0610 - Storage height restriction altered from 2 metres to 4 metres (retrospective) for Wolseley Uk Ltd (PROW)

10/00212/HOUSE Judds Farm Hayesden Lane, Bidborough
- Four-storey rear extension (CA)

10/02101/FUL 28 Pennington Road Southborough, Southborough North
- (Part site) Construction of new vicarage and access (CA)

10/02182/FUL Langton Green Village Hall Speldhurst Road, Speldhurst
- Two single storey extensions to the existing village hall to provide a new small hall, parish room, DDA compliant wc and shower room and associated circulation, together with a glazed canopy for bicycle and pram storage and associated external works and landscaping (PROW) (CA)

(DEVPLN) Departure from the Development Plan (PROW) Affecting A Public Right of Way (CA) Affecting a Conservation Area (LB) Affecting a Listed Building (MAJOR) Major Applications (MAST) Mast Applications (EIA) Applications Accompanied by an EIA Statement.

You may view these applications on our website (www.tunbridgewells.gov.uk), at the The Old Fire Station, Stone Street, Cranbrook or at Gateway, 8 Grosvenor Road, Tunbridge Wells. We accept comments online, by email to planningcomments@tunbridgewells.gov.uk or in writing to the address below. Comments should be made within 21 days from the date of this notice, although we may accept them after this date.

You should quote the reference and be aware that we make all comments available for inspection, placing them on the file and publishing them on the internet. We do not publish signatures, telephone numbers or email addresses on the internet.

Jim Kehoe
Head of Planning Services
Town Hall Royal Tunbridge Wells TN1 1RS

Dated: 17 July 2010

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It is proposed that the Direction comes into force in relation to the area specified in the Second Schedule to this Notice on 16th August 2010.

FIRST SCHEDULE

The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995

SCHEDULE 2 PART 5 – CARAVAN SITES

Class A

The use of the land, other than a building, as a caravan site in the circumstances referred to in paragraph A.2.

SCHEDULE 2 PART 6 – AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS AND OPERATIONS

Class A – Development on units of 5 hectares or more

(a) Works for the erection, extension or alteration of a building; or
(b) any excavation or engineering operations
which are reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture within that unit.

Class B – Development on units of less than 5 hectares

(a) the extension or alteration of an agricultural building;
(b) the installation of additional or replacement plant or machinery;
(c) the provision, rearrangement or replacement of a sewer, main, pipe, cable or other apparatus;
(d) the provision, rearrangement or replacement of a private way;
(e) the provision of a hard surface;
(f) the deposit of waste; or
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SCHEDULE 2 PART 7 – FORESTRY BUILDINGS AND OPERATIONS

Class A

The carrying out on land used for the purposes of forestry, including afforestation, of development reasonably necessary for those purposes consisting of :-

(a) works for the erection, extension or alteration of a building:
(b) the formation, alteration or maintenance of private ways;
(c) operations on that land, or on land held or occupied with that land, to obtain the materials required for the formation, alteration or maintenance of such ways;
(d) other operations (not including engineering or mining operations).

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CLASS ACT: Jaguar's eye-catching XJ saloon (right) has continued the carmaker's resurgence, which began with the mid-sized XF (below) in 2008

Jaguar flagship sails into lead

By **STEVE LOADER**

JAGUAR'S resurgence has been on the cards since the mid-sized XF arrived on the market in 2008.

But the predictions have come to pass this year with the launch of the eye-catching XJ saloon (from £53,900), which immediately became the best-seller in its class in June – the first full month on sale.

It knocked the usual top dog, the Mercedes-Benz S-Class into second place with a 38 per cent better slice of sales, while BMW's 7-Series was outclassed by a 70 per cent better take-up.

This underlines a Jaguar management wisdom to ditch the formulaic and retro design of previous XJs, dating back to the 1960s, and also shows how well the smaller, but big-selling XF had prepared the market to look outside the German executive triumvirate of Merc, BMW and Audi.

In fact, sales for the British marque, now owned by the giant Indian TATA conglomerate, are currently 42.5 per cent up this year against the same period in 2009.

This is all the more impressive, because Jaguar's X-Type baby model – expected to soak up a good proportion of brand sales – was dropped altogether last year, leaving its bigger and more expensive sisters to plug the sales gap and go on to make the conquests mentioned above.

Jaguar managing director Geoff Cousins said: "Like the XF, 60 per cent of people that have ordered an XJ are new to the Jaguar brand, with owners of premium German brands proving to be the keenest to buy an XJ. This highlights just how well the XJ has been received among Britain's leading businessmen. The modern Jaguar showroom is now complete – with the new XJ joining the XF and XK in UK showrooms during May. We have got off to a great start, with more than 600 new XJs already on the road in the UK and customer deliveries now starting in earnest."

The XF continues to impress with a sales increase of nearly 50 per cent so far this year and its 13th consecutive month-on-month improvement.

All of this has had a knock-on effect in favour of the XK Coupé and Convertible line-up – launched in 2006. History may show this model as the pivot for the Jaguar revival.

Sales of the XK rose 60.7 per cent in June with 188 cars sold compared with 117 last year and are currently 22.5 per cent up against early 2009 – not bad for a big sports car selling into an economic downturn. The XK range starts at £62,500 for the 5.0-litre V8 petrol and the XKR starts at £75,500.

Pricing for the XF range now starts at £29,900 for the 3.0-litre petrol; the 3.0-litre diesel model is available from £34,900 for the 240 PS (237bhp) engine; while the highly-sought after 275 PS (272bhp) 3.0-litre diesel S starts at £38,600.

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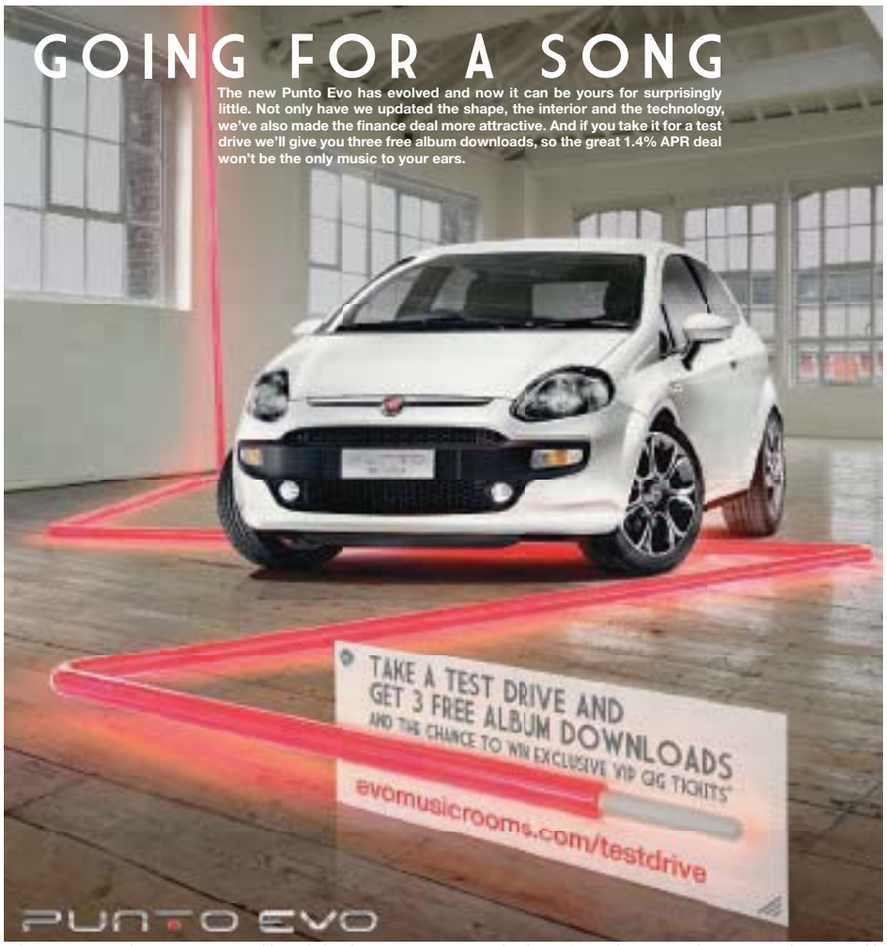

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FIRST GEAR

Compiled by Steve Loader

Green signal from Vauxhall

VAUXHALL has cut the CO2 and fuel consumption on key models in its European Car of the Year-winning Insignia range.

Emissions on the line-up's greenest model, the Ecoflex, have now dropped from 136g/km of CO2 to just 129g/km with combined fuel consumption boosted from 54.3mpg to 57.6mpg.

In addition to cheaper running costs this also means the Ecoflex qualifies for road tax exemption in its first year.

But Vauxhall claims that you don't have to drive the 'hair shirt' Ecoflex Insignias to save on running costs and BiK (Benefit in Kind) company car taxation – not that the Ecoflexes are horrible to drive. Prices (from £18,925) also remain unchanged.

Juke crossover given early exposure

NISSAN dealers across Kent are stoking interest in what is likely to be the Japanese brand's next UK-built champion – the Juke.

Preview events are being staged later this month for the junior crossover model, fitting into the range beneath the highly successful Qashqai crossover.

Its bulldog styling is hard to ignore and dealers hope that some limited exposure can be converted into firm orders ahead of the official launch on September 24.

Despite the looks, the Juke is part sports car-cum-MPV and family hatchback with an option to have 4x4 too, and priced from a not unreasonable £12,795, with a full range of accessories for personalisation.

With the summer already well-established, Nissan has also unveiled a tempting two-year interest free PCP finance deal on its 370Z Coupé and Roadster, available for as little as £299 per month, interest free after a 25 per cent deposit.

Coupé hallmarks for the all-new 508

WE WON'T see it on the road until early next year, but here's how Peugeot will further transform its image and shake up the family/company car market.

The new Mondeo basher is the 508 model, taking styling cues from the sharp SR1 coupé concept that everyone wants the French marque to put into production, though it refuses to say 'oui' or 'non' on the matter.

The 508 will do for now though; it's a stunning replacement for the 407, which never looked right in my book and is now well outclassed in the driving department. Hybrid technology will be offered in the 508 on top of an array of fuel and emissions savings technology.

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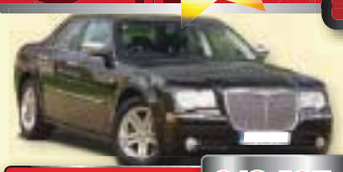
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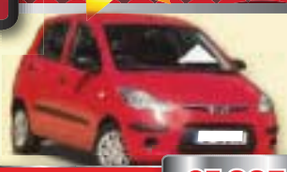
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TV star backs big bike celebration

by STEVELOADER

CHANNEL Five's Gadget Show presenter, former BBC MotoGP host and high-profile bike fan Suzi Perry is backing National Motorcycle Week (NMW) starting this weekend.

Highlight of the week is Ride to Work Day on Wednesday, designed to promote motorcycling's practical as well as pleasurable benefits by helping to cut congestion, journey times, commuting times and pollution.

The big initiative this year though is Get On – Life is Better on Two-Wheels, a nationwide campaign by the Motor Cycle Industry (MCI) to get more people on two wheels and includes the chance to book a free one-hour two-wheel taster session via www.geton.co.uk.

Perry, pictured centre, said: "Bikes have been a huge part of my life and are just such a fantastic way to get around. Not only do they help you get ahead of the traffic, but they're also more economical, greener and a huge amount of fun.

"For many people, the thought of getting into biking can be a bit intimidating and it can often be confusing about what licences and training you need to be able to ride a bike.

"Get On strips all this away. Not only can anyone try riding for free without any commitment, but the website also offers a one-stop shop on all you need to know about getting into biking.

"What's even better is that you can win great prizes by just dropping into a dealer to talk about it."

Anyone can get involved in National Motorcycle Week and people who are interested in running their own events can think about planning a bikers' barbecue, a local charity fundraiser, extra training or going on a group ride.

There is also the incentive on Ride to Work Day for bike and scooter owners not only to commute on two wheels, but take a friend or colleague with them.

The £7 billion UK motorcycle industry employs 65,500 people directly in more than 6,350 businesses and exports are worth £370 million a year.

Triumph is its most significant manufacturer after trebling in size over the past decade and selling more than 80 per cent of its finished motorcycles overseas.

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Official Government Environmental Data. Fuel Consumption Figures MPG (Litres/100 km). Spark 1.2 LT: Urban 42.8 (6.6), Extra Urban 67.3 (4.2), Combined 55.4 (5.1), CO_2 Emissions 119 g/km. Cruze 1.8 LT: Urban 30.4 (9.3), Extra Urban 53.3 (5.3), Combined 41.5 (6.8), CO_2 Emissions 159 g/km

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Mazda rises above mainstream

DrivingReview

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Mazda6

HOUNDED mercilessly by ambitious upstart brands like Hyundai, Kia and Chevrolet, mainstream stalwarts Ford and Vauxhall have sought to re-position themselves in the market.

They would like to be sitting comfortably in a 'more premium' refuge first identified by VW, then Honda and now Mazda.

It is a quite a feat for the Japanese marque, which struggled until it adopted its sporty Zoom-Zoom marketing and shook up a faltering conventional model array, which had contrasted all too strongly with the cult status of the marque's much-loved MX-5 roadster.

The first of these new-look everyday cars was the Ford Mondeo equivalent Mazda6 launched in 2002; it set Mazda well on the way to the strong position it holds today and was followed in 2007 by an even better version, recently given a facelift. There used to be a saloon, but a much streamlined range now concentrates on hatchback and estate styles – both equally good looking though the latter is not available with the entry-level 1.8-litre petrol engine.

Not that you would panic as it's no ball of fire for this dynamic looking car and hardly much better on fuel than livelier sister models.

Our Mazda6 estate test car (from £19,295) had the 152bhp 2.0-litre petrol though past experience suggests the smooth 2.2-diesel alternatives are the better bet, available in 160bhp and 177bhp outputs.

Both have good low-down pulling power – ideal if you intend to buy and use the estate to full capacity – and will average 50+mpg.

The main points of difference are that the bigger-hitter is slightly faster to 62mph – 8.7 seconds against 9.2 – but will set you back £23,445, being only sold in flagship Sport spec.

A good compromise is the popular mid-range TS2 spec seen here, available in junior 2.2 diesel estate format for £21,495, though it is worth shopping around at present for the Takuya special edition for just £100 more and carrying extra kit.

The big highlight of the '6' whether in hatchback or estate form is the spacious and airy cabin and huge boot with lots of storage underneath, helped by the lack of a spare wheel – part of Mazda's drive to cut weight, consumption and emissions.

This is laudable, of course, until you get a catastrophic puncture that the sealant/repair outfit cannot deal with.

There is an automatic boot cover arrangement, though this did not always retract properly when lifting the test car's tailgate.

One Mazda6 hallmark that does succeed brilliantly though is the Karakuri rear seat release system now being copied by other makers; one pull of the lever in the boot and the corresponding rear seat flops down automatically to make it easy to cram stuff into the

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load bay. There is also plenty of rear legroom and a good centre armrest.

Everything works well and doors close with a nice clunk, despite the fact that a lot of weight has been taken out of the car.

This is also evident in the handling. The Mazda is not skittish, but feels very responsive and sporty – a real point-and-shoot car for its size – though some may say the trade-off is a rather firm ride.

Repeating the message of space in the back is the generous amount of room and stowage in the front, with a deep armrest bin.

Mazda also has a tidy gimmick-free method of arranging the controls, though a little more evident quality in the materials would underpin the marque's rising status in the market.

Still, they do their job and fall nicely to hand.

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Road tax	£200/year (£300 in year one)
Best rival	Ford Mondeo

TheVerdict

DON'T LIKE: the slightly cheap feel of some cabin materials

NOT SURE: Mazda can yet challenge Volkswagen in this quality executive/mainstream sector

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INSIDE THIS WEEK

THIS week's Big Interview is with a man who wants the shirt off your back – so he can sell you one of his own classic Charles Tyrwhitt creations.

He's Nick Wheeler, who wants to conquer high streets and shopping malls after building a mail order and internet shopping empire – he has just picked Kent's Bluewater shopping centre for his 13th store.

And this week's Spotlight is trained on hospitality, travel and tourism and several reasons why there is a feel-good factor in that sector.

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US equity firm woos 'old school' mutual

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BRITAIN'S oldest building society – Kent Reliance – was in talks this week with a US private equity firm to create a new-look lender tipped to trigger changes in a troubled sector.

Since the collapse of Northern Rock in 2007, traditional mutual societies like Kent Reliance have found it harder to raise or attract cash to build their businesses.

Nevertheless, JC Flowers' move on Kent Reliance Building Society (KRBS) was not only unprecedented in this sector, but may also be that firm's first step towards snapping up several smaller societies to create a new UK bank and shake-up that industry.

JC Flowers was set-up in 2001 by Christopher Flowers, a former partner in prestigious American banking and finance firm Goldman Sachs, who has already made abortive moves to buy into Northern Rock, Friends Provident, and Bradford and Bingley.

He is now wooing KRBS, with managers under chief executive Mike Lazenby using the society's website to issue a brief statement: "Kent Reliance Building Society today announces that it is in talks with JC Flowers and Co to create a new corporate structure for the Kent Reliance business.

"If the new structure proceeds, it would allow for substantial new capital investment to support the business and would provide a means for the society's members to remain members of a mutual organisation."

Flowers has reportedly tabled a relatively small £50 million bid for a 49 per cent stake in a business with assets of at least £2.2 billion, some 180,000 members and 45 staff.

Picture: PER LALENG

FAIR PLAY: Shirt sponsorship deals with Whitstable Town, above, and other local sides have raised Kent Reliance's profile

According to the Daily Telegraph this week, KRBS has been looking for some kind of buyout deal since 2006 that would unlock windfall rewards for those at the top, though it also reported that Mr Lazenby insisted those proposals bore no relationship to the current deal being discussed. KRBS is a conglomerate of several county building societies – the oldest being Kent and Canterbury founded in 1847. Such organisations were conceived to build houses for their members, later concentrating more on money and mortgage lending.

The Kent society was regarded as one of the most traditional in Britain, side-stepping the demutualisation frenzy of the early 1990s when many societies converted to or were taken over by banks.

However, it has been one of the fastest growing in the country over the past decade, while slashing overheads and pruning customer-facing assets. Fourteen oulets have been cut to eight and only two of these are now full branches – in Chatham and at Hempstead – with Mr Lazenby having labelled traditional branches as liabilities. While lacking a profile on Kent high streets, KRBS has sought it elsewhere through sponsorship deals with football clubs Gillingham, Charlton Athletic and Whitstable Town.

Bigger fish

Since the demutualisation era, the former minnow from Kent has also become a bigger fish, ranked 12th nationally, though still some way behind the great white shark that is the Nationwide (£190bn assets) and a few other majors such as the newly-merged Yorkshire and Chelsea (£38bn).

However, like many remaining societies it has run out of steam as money supplies tightened due to the collapse of the banking sector and tougher regulations.

There have already been mergers and consolidations in the sector and this might persuade the Financial Services Authority to bless a proposed KRBS deal, though society members might ask why vote 'yes' unless the would-be partners offer them an old-fashioned demutualisatiuon pay-off – something apparently ruled out by the statement vowing to continue as a mutual society.

Public sector pensions shake-up call

BUSINESS leaders in Kent have backed calls for radical reform of the public sector pensions system.

They say it over-burdens taxpayers and that the traditional argument for better public sector pensions in lieu of lower salaries, has collapses now that wages match and often exceed the private sector.

The Institute of Directors (IoD) and the Institute of Economic Affairs have combined to set-up the Public Sector Pensions Commission, calling for Government reform of pensions for NHS staff, teachers, police, civil servants and other public employees.

While urging parity with private sector pensions, the commission has highlighted the soaring cost to the taxpayer of funding public sector retirees. Of a projected cost of more than £25 billion for 2010-11, just £7bn is made up by employees, with the balance coming from their publicly-funded employers and directly from the Treasury.

The commission wants an immediate increase in employees' contributions and a switch to a system where workers get a lump sum with which to buy an annuity income in retirement.

The IoD's regional director, Rodger Broad said: "This is not about the private sector knocking the public sector, but a matter of simple economics.

"Many people who are saving towards their own retirement must be wondering why the majority of the workforce is supporting other people's pensions through their taxes.

"The value of public sector pensions stands at over 40 per cent of salary, compared with about 20 per cent for workers in the private sector.

"In reality, public sector workers are only putting away six per cent and their employers 14 per cent, with the remaining sum being met by the taxpayer.

"It was traditionally argued that public servants were rewarded with golden pensions because their salaries were low by comparison. But now that they match, and in many cases exceed, the salaries paid in industry, that argument no longer holds water."

And he added that it was time the public sector faced up to changes that have been affecting private sector pension schemes for some years, where employers have been forced to end final salary schemes: "We have an ageing population and a fiscal crisis. Now is the time to make long-term plans to reduce the burden on the taxpayer.

"A simple step such as an immediate increase in public sector employee contributions of two per cent would bring in up to £2bn a year."

Comment

WATCHING the exuberant celebrations in Spain after its footballers had won the World Cup final made me think.The best team won, of course. Come on, Holland tarnished a heritage of Total Football and Johan Cruyff and all that by going for a physical contest. (Steady on, this is the business section – not sport).

And Spain deserve their moment; for all our whingeing about burying "44 years of hurt" – as national sports pages described the hiatus since 1966 – neither Spain nor Holland had ever won the World Cup before.

What about their even longer years of hurt?

But the real point here is not to sweat out the last drop of World Cup fever, but ask what that win can do for Spain and an economy even deeper in the mire than ours.

As with our football, we often dwell on our own woes without actually seeing that others might be worse off and, to compound Spanish difficulties, they are more dependant economically on we Brits through tourism and food exports than we are on them.

Belt-tightening here has consequences on the other side of the Bay of Biscay.

Of course it's hard to quantify what "some football match" can do for a nation's balance sheet, but I suspect the feel-good factor injected by that win in South Africa is worth a multi-billion euro handout from the European Union.

Which makes you wonder what even a good cup run might have done for another football-mad nation – England.

As it is, rather like the national team's coast through the qualifiers, we seemed to take the uncertainty of the General Election build-up and the austerity of the recent Budget in our stride, only for people to despair at the early demise of a bunch of overpaid footballers allegedly overawed by the country's desperation to, yes, end those 44 years of hurt.

I'm sure some business people will say, "What's football got to do with my balance sheet?" or even "What's football?" but it's about confidence from the top to the bottom of companies and the spending that comes from consumer optimism.

So don't relax your guard and do take another look at employee morale; there's little to look forward to until Christmas and far too much talk about a double-dip recession.

Don't lose on penalties now.

STEVE LOADER, BUSINESS EDITOR

Bridge the gap with publicity

ONE of the most unsung organisations in Kent, the Rochester Bridge Trust, has appointed a public relations firm to raise its profile.

The trust has been "providing passage over, under or across the River Medway from medieval times to the modern day", but many assume its assets are part of the highways infrastructure and funded by taxes.

It owns and maintains the two road bridges on the A2 at Rochester – having been created in the Middle Ages after the original Roman crossing was swept away by flooding – but has also contributed to the cost of bridges at Tonbridge, Yalding, East Peckham, Wateringbury and Maidstone.

During the 1990s it helped build the Medway Tunnel and occasionally makes grants for education, church repairs and capital projects. Its finances come from a property portfolio endowed during the reigns of Richard II and Henry IV.

Bridge clerk for the trust, Sue Threader, said: "Benefactors donated land and money to ensure a sustained income for bridge maintenance and rebuilding. Our continuing management of these investments ensures we can meet our obligations in maintaining a bridge at Rochester at no expense to residents or taxpayers."

The trust is also responsible for the preservation of its 600-year archives, collections of fine art and furniture, and historic buildings in Rochester.

We should all now hear more about its work after the appointment of Maxim PR, based in Tunbridge Wells. Director Philip Jones said: "The trust is meeting the challenges of cutting-edge engineering and estate management while honouring the principles under which it was founded. We are delighted to be working with them."

Tweeting and meeting part of the revolution

BENEFITS from social media like Twitter and LinkedIn is being underestimated by Kent businesses, ***writes Steve Loader***.

That was the view from internet guru Maria Gandara, speaking at a businesswomen's Professionally Pink networking lunch at Banks' Wine Bar, Maidstone.

Based in Tunbridge Wells, she started Maria Gandara Auctions on eBay in 2006 and now specialises in selling items on behalf of businesses. Spending so much time online, she soon realised the benefits of social media and now runs social media workshops for businesses.

"Many people think social media is about marketing online," she told the meeting. "But actually it's any conversation or interaction you have over the internet. When Tim Berners-Lee invented the web, he said it wasn't about connecting to computers but connecting to humanity and the same is still true today – it's all about communication. Social media is a revolution. It's not going to go away, so you can't ignore it.

Influential

"It's been estimated that by 2013 a billion people will be using Twitter and it can be extremely influential. I know of success stories that are purely down to social media; a personal trainer who started her business from home set up a gym and spent absolutely nothing on marketing.

"Relying on word of mouth via Twitter meant her business became a great success very quickly.

"LinkedIn can also be extremely useful. One individual claims to have earned a seven-figure sum over five years by spending just 10 minutes a day on the site. Try looking at the questions people are asking and if you can provide a knowledgeable answer, it's a great way of making initial contact."

Maria knows bosses have worries about social media, but argues: "Negative comments will be made whether you have a presence on the web or not. At least if you are aware of what is being said about your product or company, you can tackle any derogatory comments swiftly and actually turn the situation into a positive one.

NETWORK: Maria Gamdara, left, with Emily Ruston

"You don't need to spend a huge amount of time online. Just 10 minutes a day is enough and there are many advantages for businesses. You can link to your website or blog, recommend people or indulge in a little small talk.

"Although some people see the latter as irrelevant, imagine meeting someone for the first time and launching straight into selling your product – it wouldn't work.

"Use a picture of yourself rather than a generic logo as this will help humanise your brand and help people to see you as a trusted resource.

"The same principles of networking apply online as they do in face-to-face meetings: be approachable; don't talk, or tweet, too much; be honest; and above all don't launch into a hard sell as it's an immediate turn off."

Professionally Pink lunches are organised by Kent accountancy firm Horwath Clark Whitehill (HCW) in conjunction with Ansacom, Clydesdale Bank and Brachers Law.

Organiser Emily Rushton, from HCW, said: "Although Professionally Pink is a regular networking event it was great to see so many new faces.

"I know guests appreciated Maria's honest approach to social media and I'm sure a lot of them headed back to their offices to start Tweeting."

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KOS Media's Business Editor Steve Loader reviews business news and developments from around the county

Sean's new Connexions

AT A time of concern for a possible 'lost generation' of young employees left high and high by the downturn, a young people's charity has announced its new chief executive.

Sean Kearns takes charge in challenging times at the Connexions Kent and Medway Partnership after previously being development director for the organisation's Thames Valley division.

The Kent and Medway board's Mary Gordon said: "We look forward to Sean leading us to even greater success."

CHALLENGE: Sean Kearns

Mr Kearns takes charge on September 1 and succeeds Gordon Bernard, who is retiring after a long career in business and education. Connexions has 350 staff responsible for delivering information, advice and guidance services Kent-wide to 13 to 19-year-olds and young people up to the age of 25 who have learning difficulties and/or disabilities. It recently won a new three-year contract with the county council to deliver the service and work-related learning provision for 125,000 young people in the county.

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RECRUITMENT consultancies recorded another strong rise in permanent staff placements during June, albeit the slowest in five months.

However, the latest monthly Recruitment and Employment Confederation (REC) and KPMG Report on Jobs also showed temporary staff billings easing to a seven-month low in June.

An REC spokesman said the permanent staff trend was encouraging, particularly in the key sector of construction and engineering, but warned: "With the predictions of up to 600,000 job losses in the public sector, it is still too early to tell how much of a knock-on effect this will have on job creation in the private sector."

A KPMG counterpart agreed: "The big challenge will be to transfer as many of these jobs as possible to the private sector through outsourcing and divestment, otherwise the economy will be put under enormous pressure at all levels."

BLUEWATER continues to rise above the flat mood on the High Street. Just a week after Business Week reported three new outlets opening there, another has announced entry to the 330-strong club of shops and brands.

The Bluewater opening on August 19 is music and lifestyle fashion brand Hed Kandi's first standalone venture – it has so far operated 'capsule' outlets within department stores. It joins other Bluewater new arrivals: fashion brands Juicy Couture and Ce Me London, and shirts brand Charles Tyrwhitt.

AUCTION house Bonhams has welcomed Charles Martins back to the company where he made his industry debut in the 1980s as a porter and junior cataloguer. The Dublin-born 48-year-old returns 25 years later as a "business-getter and consultant" for the South East, based at Sevenoaks.

He said of the changes while away: "The sheer scale of the operation is almost overwhelming. With offices in London, Oxford, Knowle, Bury St Edmunds, Chester and Edinburgh, the company taps into the very thing that a purely local auctioneer cannot provide – specialist sales, backed up by sophisticated marketing and full-scale advertising."

LAW firm Furley Page has expanded its French Property and Estates team with the arrival of Florence Richards.

Florence, 36, who speaks fluent English and lives in Canterbury, is the second native French speaker on the team and previously worked for a French corporate law firm in Lille and Lyons. She advises clients on the purchase, sale and holding of French property, tax and estate planning through Furley Page offices in Canterbury, Chatham, Whitstable and Lloyds of London.

BUSINESS failures in the second quarter slowed as companies gained a tighter grip on cash and costs.

Data from Equifax showed a 19.1 per cent drop against the 2009 period and a seven per cent improvement against Q1 2010. While this barometer is not yet back to pre-recession early 2008 levels, an Equifax spokesman said firms seem to be taking the right actions in difficult trading conditions. He added: "They need to continue to use rigorous credit checks, alongside ongoing monitoring of the financial status of their customers and suppliers.

"By operating best practice and harnessing the power of the latest risk management solutions, firms can minimise the threat of bad debt and secure the future of their business."

Ringway to test claims of fuel-saving injector

By **STEVE LOADER**
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AIRPORTS and roads contractor Ringway will use this weekend's Kent County Show to unveil a gadget that could help slash the greenhouse gas emissions fuelling climate change.

The hydrogen fuel injector (HFI) already has the potential to save 20 per cent of fuel consumption and reduce CO2 emissions from large commercial vehicles.

And this hi-tech device – developed in Westerham and Hadlow and now recently moved near the historic Pantiles in Tunbridge Wells – might pave the way for greener ship propulsion and cheap emission-free hydrogen-powered cars, as well as creating jobs in Kent.

Developed by Haswell Ltd, the HFI uses excess power from an engine's alternator to electrolyse distilled water and inject the resulting hydrogen and oxygen into a diesel engine's fuel system prior to turbocharging.

The gases then boost ignition within the cylinders, while reducing fuel consumption – trials show by up to 20 per cent.

Other green benefits include lower levels of another greenhouse gas, nitrous oxide, or NOx, and other undesirable exhaust emissions, plus more efficient running and reduced engine maintenance.

Ringway – a contractor for Kent County Council's post-winter emergency road repairs task force – is already putting claims for the device to the test in a trials vehicle.

TURBO BOOST: Fuel savings could be huge for fleet operators of high-mileage trucks

Haswell director Simon Haswell said: "If the 20 per cent savings in fuel projected were achieved Ringway could potentially reduce annual running costs to KCC by £300,000 a year and lower CO2 outputs by 16.7 per cent."

He admitted his company's device was not unique – others are pursuing similar technology – but he believed his version represented a 'next generation' already proving its potential to operators of big trucks like Ringway and he named store giants Marks & Spencer and John Lewis/Waitrose as other potential trial partners. "A 20 per cent saving is attractive enough to a car user," he said.

"But for the big truck operator, with a vehicle expected to cover 3,000 miles a week and averaging 8.25mpg, it is huge – especially across a whole fleet.

"It will be tempting van operators, too, and we aim to have a version running in a van within six months."

But he added it was expensive to retro-fit the device on current generation units, unless they were running up high commercial mileages and, in its current state, the HFI could be uneconomic for private car users, though he declined to give figures for installation of the device on any vehicle.

However, he drew inspiration from hydrogen-powered cars like the Honda Clarity already on trials in California, albeit at a cost thought to be about £300,000 per car.

Mr Haswell explained that while mass production could bring that cost down, the Catch-22 was in the cost of the creating a hydrogen gas generation and filling station network to support the switch to hydrogen cars.

His alternative was to fit a version of the HFI to household boilers, creating an alternative hydrogen re-fuelling station at home for the family car. But in the shorter term, he was more excited by the possibility of cracking down on marine emissions.

He said: "We have a big carbon footprint being laid down just off the Kent coast in the Channel and the big ship potential for a version of the HFI is enormous, though we are looking initially at testing the concept in a 100ft twin engine boat."

NI policy must help 'deprived' east Kent

BUDGET plans to exclude Kent and the "prosperous South East" from national insurance relief to businesses have been questioned by Dover and Deal's newly-elected Conservative MP, Charlie Elphicke.

A former tax lawyer who has also run his own small business, Mr Elphicke told Government colleagues in the House of Commons that "pockets of poverty" in Dover and across east Kent and the South East were being ignored by the new Finance Bill, which favours the old industrial heartlands of the Midlands and North.

Extended

Though he liked the principle of the scheme, Mr Elphicke told the House: "Ideally it should be extended across the nation, especially in deprived areas of the South East that have benefited from social structural European funds. Not just Dover, but other parts of east Kent and the South East. We need to clear away the deprivation and benefits culture that has grown up in recent years so we can unlock the potential, the hope and the chances in each and every citizen of our nation.

"If we get them off benefits and back into work and break the cycle of poverty, we bring hope and unlock that potential."

MAIDEN SPEECH: Dover and Deal MP Charlie Elphicke

Mr Elphicke, who secured a 10.4 per cent swing to overturn a near 5,000 majority enjoyed by incumbent Labour MP Gwyn Prosser at the May 6 general election, said after the debate: "I'm keen to see our community benefit from the national insurance relief for new businesses.

"If this isn't possible, then I hope the new regional fund will be focused on helping small businesses that create jobs."

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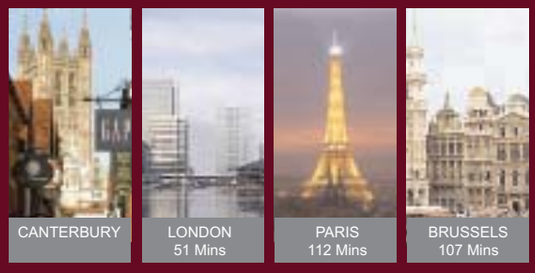

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Making engineering sexy at the free BIG breakfast

IF THE UK is to learn from the economic disaster of the past decade or so, then it should listen to people like the guest speaker at a breakfast meeting in Chatham on Friday.

He is Terry Scuoler, managing director of the Engineering Employers Federation (EEF) – the voice of UK manufacturing – and a man on a mission to make engineering sexy again for the nation that sparked the industrial revolution. He is well qualified, having been an Army officer before entering the publishing and then construction industries, going on to join Royal Ordnance – later part of BAE (British Aerospace) – and then serving more than 10 years as the MD credited with reviving defence technology firm Ferranti.

Competition is expected to be fierce to hear Mr Scuoler's top industry tips at the BIG (Business Innovation Group) Breakfast on the University of Greenwich at Medway campus, Chatham Maritime.

The event will also deliver an insider's perspective into the health and recent advances in UK manufacturing and allow useful networking through BIG partners – the Kent Invicta and Thames Gateway chambers of commerce – in association the University of Greenwich.

BIG aims to boost the Kent economy through a push on several fronts. These include:

• To bring together professional businesses and establish a regional collaboration platform for the manufacturing, engineering and technology, and creative and media sectors.

• To support local companies in the exploration of new opportunities for public sector funding and contracts, commercial ventures and collaborative research and development programmes.

• To help generate new opportunities such as those linked to the London Olympics, both in the run up to 2012 and from its proposed legacy.

• To offer expertise on how to bid for contracts as well as providing information on opportunities as they develop.

Friday's event (7.30-9am) is free to attend for engineering/manufacturing organisations, but due to limited places and expected demand, the maximum number of attendees is two per organisation. Would-be delegates are advised to pre-register via Sharon Hogbin shogbin@tgcoc.co.uk, telephone 01634 311441.

The breakfast forms part of a BIG programme of forthcoming events and workshops including networking, specialist training and focused workshops, bid writing and tendering, forming bid partnerships and building consortiums, quality management, sector specific opportunities such as sustainable construction, and effective collaboration with BIG's knowledge base partner, the University of Greenwich.

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This Wheeler

If you have become a multi-millionaire through high quality mail order and then internet shopping, you wouldn't want to open a chain of shops and take on seemingly unnecessary overheads, would you?
Well, yes, actually, says Nick Wheeler, witty founder of the affordable yet quality shirt brand Charles Tyrwhitt, who not only chose Kent's Bluewater shopping centre for his 13th store but – unlike many company bosses – likes to meet and greet customers at the openings. So Business Editor STEVE LOADER had to meet him to button down why he diversified into traditional retail.

NICK WHEELER

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IT IS far too tempting to add the word 'dealer' after Nick Wheeler's name. The Charles Tyrwhitt Shirts founder is a born entrepreneur and even established his business – based on his two middle names – by using a bank loan to buy a classic Aston Martin that he later resold for nearly five times more start-up cash.

As an Eton schoolboy he ran "funny little businesses" including selling Christmas trees: "They sold so well I wanted to go full-time, until my father pointed out that it was a bit seasonal."

His enthusiasm also took a knock during a holiday job at Harrods: "I was sent to golf wear. I hate golf but I was keen and by the end of day one had a list of suggested improvements for the manager, who must have told me 10 times that day that he had been there 20 years.

"I came away thinking I would be promoted, but came in next day and found myself in the luggage department, but I soon had ideas there, too.

"I spent the rest of my time at Harrods helping in the basement and it convinced me that I never wanted a business culture like that. People in our company are encouraged to think."

Undeterred, the Shropshire-born dealmaker was soon dabbling in more sales while reading for his geography degree at Bristol University, believing he had hit the jackpot after buying a £10 pair of handmade shoes while travelling in India: "I thought they were the best shoes I'd ever had, rounded up 50 potential customers at £50 a time, traced all round their feet and faxed all this off to this little factory in India.

"Unfortunately, what with fax machine technology and terrible Indian phone lines, I ended up with shoes seemingly made for pixies and clowns and not for the people who had ordered them."

But the eureka moment came next – shirts.

"There was no great science or research behind it," he said. "People agonise about starting their own business, saying 'I can't think what to do'. But it's less about what you sell and more about the way you do it."

But he happily contradicted this by admitting to a lifelong passion for classic shirts that has brought him success and he encouraged his Edenbridge-born wife, Chrissie Rucker, to chuck in her job as a fashion journalist to follow her eye for good fabrics and design, thereby forming her own highly successful mail order and shops chain, The White Company.

And he has stuck fairly rigidly to what he knows and likes while admitting that "fashion is fun", recently introducing Liberty designs into his range, only to add: "Fashion is the design, shape, colour of the moment and if you get it right you do very well and you've never bought enough. Get it wrong and you get left with a load of stock you can't sell. We check our top 100 sellers every week and four out of the top 10 are always white shirts. We have the more fashionable, but most people don't like them as much.

"Every day I just think I want to give our customers better quality, better value and better service. If you do that then you'll have a great business no matter what you do.

"We go for traditional craftsman stuff, but we have to do it at a price. Primark has really shaken up the market, but we would never go that low. We always aim to sell a good, honest product at the right price.

"I don't actually like short-sleeve shirts – they sell well though – and I don't like shirts with pockets. People like pockets for glasses, bus passes and pens, but I just can't stand them. It's like putting a roof rack on a Ferrari – just ruins the design.

"We offer pockets as an optional extra and some of our casual shirts come with a pocket, but a shirt with a suit shouldn't have a pocket, in my opinion."

SUITS YOU: Charles Tyrwhitt Shirts boss Nick Wheeler

Carefully concealing my own shirt pocket behind my jacket lapel (no bus pass, pens or glasses though) we move to why the company needed shops after success through mail order and internet business.

Nick explained that it was no spur of the moment thing as Charles Tyrwhitt had opened a shop in London's Jermyn Street 13 years ago: "If I opened there – the home of quality shirts – I thought we could use the address and a photograph of our shop in Jermyn Street for the mail order business and give the whole brand credibility. I didn't really know much about retail after

dealer was born to sell

making a massive mistake by buying a retail business, thinking that I'd buttoned down the shirt market. I lost more money in three months than in 10 years in shirts. Complete disaster. So I'd had my fingers burned. But Jermyn Street just boomed from day one and we then did the same in New York to give credibility to our mail order operation in the States. The jump from one shop to the next one is not so obvious, but while everyone talks about the incredible growth of the internet, in retail terms it still averages just 10 per cent of the market.

"So either I'm going to grub around trying to catch 10 per cent of the market or add far more by opening stores.

"And the two areas are complementary. A lot of people won't buy a shirt mail order because they like to touch and feel it before they try it on, but after they've bought one then perhaps they try mail order – the shops work as a shop window for the whole business.

"I'm really interested to see how Bluewater goes. It's our first opening in a shopping centre. It draws people from miles around and has a massive footfall. As a mail order business you don't have that passing footfall. Typically, as a mail order company, you are sending a brochure to your own database, rather than hitting new people. You can put inserts into a magazine, but people shake them and they go straight in the bin."

And he added that women, who buy many of his shirts for their men, like shops and are also showing interest in the women's lines he has introduced.

"Women's shirts are usually more fashion than quality so we have taken the same stitching and finish from Jermyn Shirt shirts and incorporated them," said Nick. "It's only four per cent of the business, but a big opportunity."

He believes Charles Tyrwhitt, which employs 400 people, can go on to open 50 UK stores – Tunbridge Wells is another Kent target – and added: "There will always be a market for affordable quality shirts, but I am keeping an eye on the economy and am not driven to build and sell the company.

"I started this business 20 years ago with the view that I never wanted to sell it and I'm in it for the long term.

"I've got four children and I think of the business as my eldest child – I would never sell my children. People say never get emotionally attached to your business, but I just am."

NICK WHEELER'S CV

- 1986 – sets up Charles Tyrwhitt while still at Bristol University.
- 1987 – joins highly-rated American strategic management consultants Bain and Co – "Interesting and diverse, but it reinforced to me that I wanted to have my own business."
- 1989 – goes full-time with Charles Tyrwhitt.
- 1997 – company opens first shop, on London's Jermyn Street with other flagships following in New York and Paris.

ROUNDED: Nick regards his outlets as the shop window for the mail order side

WELL SHOD: An early venture into Indian handmade shoes taught Wheeler a lesson

NICK'S TOP TIPS

- Love the product – "I love shirts. Christmas trees used to give me a huge rash when I sold them, but I loved them too."
- Customer service – "You grow or bankrupt a business the same way – one customer at a time. Look after them. It doesn't matter whether you are Microsoft with millions, or a corner shop with 20 regulars."
- He recently introduced a live feedback service via email called FeeFo asking customers to take a few seconds to rate the company's products and services and even make comments: "Whatever they've written, good or bad, is then live on our website. As it is, 98 per cent of people rate our service as excellent or good and 97 per cent of our products as excellent or good."
- Focus – "Decide what you are good at and bloody well stick to it. A few years ago I brought in an MD and we tried to turn ourselves into Ralph Lauren – women's, children's, formal, casual – disastrous."
- Encourage staff responsibility – "I hate it when you get someone on the phone saying, 'Oh, I'll just ask my supervisor'. If a staff member makes a bad decision, we can sit down and have chat about it – the big thing is that people learn."

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Research champion's parting shot

AFTER a decade as chairman of East Malling Trust for Horticultural Research, Dr Ian Graham-Bryce has stepped down in favour of his deputy, Will Sibley.

But he used his departure to fire a warning to the Government not to under-fund agricultural research as the UK faces up to threats against food security and the environment.

Dr Graham-Bryce, pictured right, said: "Thanks to the trust's independence we have been able to remain focused on championing and supporting the scientific needs of horticulture.

"Given the challenges we face, the industry needs the all-important scientific capabilities to support its ambitions to improve productivity and environmental performance and adapt

to whatever climate change and legislation throws at it. Now more than ever it is vital the Government recognises the role science can and will play in ensuring food security and reducing our impact on the environment. In order to tackle these, research must be properly funded."

The trust is the country's largest independent donor to fruit research and owns and manages the research station and Bradbourne House, East Malling, as well as the associated conference facilities and 600-acre farm estate near Maidstone. Dr Graham-Bryce's departure marks the end of 31 years with the trust and EMR. He was previously a director (1979-86) and a trustee (1986-2010).

Will Sibley, a fruit tree nurseryman and board director with the Horticulture Development Company, is also a former Master of the Worshipful Company of Fruiterers and has been a trustee since 1997.

He said: "Ian leaves us well placed to continue to provide research funding on the key issues facing growers and the industry."

Also stepping down is Prof John Prescott, former principal of Wye College and former chairman of the trust's science committee.

Manston's new 'pilot'

KENT International Airport's new chief executive is the man credited with revitalising London City Airport, ***writes Steve Loader***.

As former director of strategy at the capital's site, Charles Buchanan masterminded planning permission there for aircraft movement numbers to rise from 73,000 to 120,000 a year.

The former civil engineer and Eurotunnel executive also oversaw a £40 million investment programme that has seen the Docklands airport grow.

His takeover at Thanet's KIA Manston, owned by Infratil, follows former chief executive Matt Clarke's return to the company's New Zealand homeland after an abortive attempt to persuade long-haul operators to switch flights to Kent.

Infratil bought KIA out of receivership in 2005, but industry watchers have criticised the move after the company's stake in Glasgow Prestwick, together valued at

HIGH FLYER: New boss Charles Buchanan

NZ$222m in 2009 was downgraded to NZ$138m this year – the Kiwi group is valued in total at NZ$965m with other assets including a controlling share of Wellington Airport in New Zealand.

Tom Wilson, Infratil's chief executive in Europe, was upbeat about Mr Buchanan's appointment at KIA though: "Having spent over 10 years at the highly successful London City Airport, leading its development and communications activities, he will play a vital part in taking the airport forward over the coming years."

Mr Buchanan said: "The restarting of daily passenger services to Edinburgh in May was a milestone for Manston.

"The commitment Flybe has shown by announcing daily departures to Manchester too, starting in September, is an endorsement of the work of the team here, and the potential the airport has to offer.

"Having a successful regional airport is a major element in the regeneration of an area, not only by providing direct employment, but also giving access to the markets of the world.

"The owners of the airport have also demonstrated their commitment to the future of Manston operations through their planning application to install a new radar system.

"This investment of almost £3m will ensure the continued operation of the airport in conjunction with the wind farms being developed nearby off the Thanet coast."

NET GAIN: Margaret Stewart at the new fish counter at Asda in Gravesend

New-look Asda tips the scales

ASDA'S Gravesend store was formally reopened this week after a £1.9 million makeover. Key spending went on new fresh food counters, fitting rooms for the store's George budget clothing department and the in-store post office.

Manager Chris Fawn said: "The aim of was to transform our store's appearance and increase the choice and value for our customers so they really can find everything they need under one roof."

The chain is currently engaged in a price war with rivals Tesco, Sainsbury's and Morrisons to maintain its record as Britain's lowest priced supermarket for 13 years in a row.

School gift boosts the image of science

A DEMONSTRATION of thermal imaging at Rainham Mark Grammar School started calmly enough. But students were soon hooked by a close-up on technology that they had seen only on TV shows such as Police Camera Action and Springwatch.

It wasn't long before they were training the thermal imaging camera on Bunsen burners, ice cubes and lollies during the presentation by FLIR Systems' Kevin Saxton, making its mark on a new generation of potential scientists and engineers.

The device was then donated to the school by FLIR Systems, based in West Malling and the UK sales and service arm of the world's leading manufacturers of thermal imaging cameras.

Rainham Mark bucks the trend by regularly having more than half its sixth form opt to take an A-level science subject.

"Out of more than 30 possible subjects, the sciences are always in our top six," said physics teacher and deputy head Alan Moore.

"And many of our students go on to pursue careers in medicine and the pure sciences."

FLIR's donation would be invaluable, he added: "We are always on the lookout for opportunities to enhance our teaching."

It was also timely for pupils taking a field trip to a nature reserve near Skegness this month, where the camera will be used to record the activities of nocturnal creatures such as bats.

NEW IMAGE: Rainham Mark pupils

Forging ahead at Dockyard

CHATHAM'S Historic Dockyard is about draw a line under the legacy of its closure as a working naval base 26 years ago.

It has since charted a stormy passage as a charitable trust seeking to fund costly refurbishment of magnificent buildings, steeped in the history of maritime greats such as Drake and Nelson, yet neglected during the Navy's final years in charge.

But the Historic Dockyard Trust has lovingly restored and enhanced the site and, on July 24, puts the final piece of the jigsaw in place by re-opening the former No1 Smithery.

The £13 million project has created a gallery and museum, housing collections from the Imperial War and National Maritime Museums, and the Smithery building – where ship ironmongery was forged – has been transformed from a forlorn sight.

And it now looks out onto Museum Square, a smart plaza where visitors can stroll to all points of the dockyard compass or simply picnic and enjoy the sights. Trust chief executive Bill Ferris said: "Museums have been under pressure to display many of the treasures they have stored away. We needed to spend millions refurbishing No1 Smithery while the National Maritime, for instance, needed to spend large sums finding somewhere to store stuff they were being told to get on display."

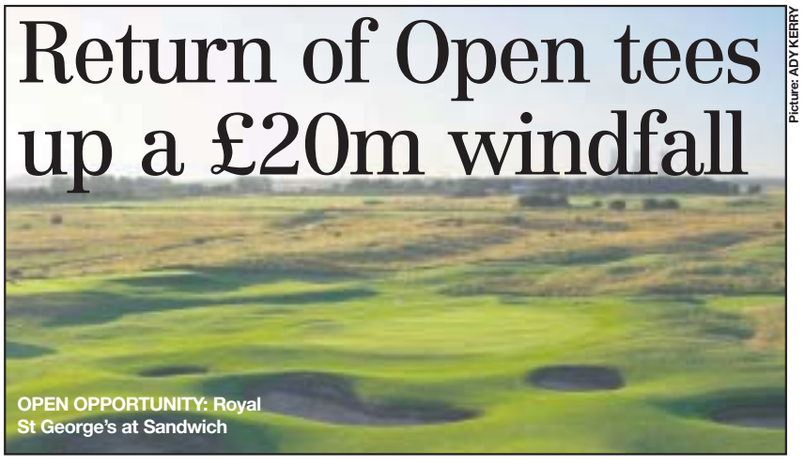
By pooling grant aid and compiling a wide-ranging application to the Lottery Fund, he added, the co-operative venture was born.

An art gallery within the Smithery will also show touring collections, starting with a six-month display of paintings showing shipbuilding on the Clyde, by Sir Stanley Spencer.

Chatham Historic Dockyard is described as a 'working heritage showcase' with 140 commercial tenants, a steadily rising visitor count – 170,000 last year – and 112 homes.

The trust is confident it is close to generating the £4m a year needed to make the site self-sustaining.

Return of Open tees up a £20m windfall



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OPEN OPPORTUNITY: Royal St George's at Sandwich

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LOCAL income worth up to £20 million could be generated by the return of the Open Golf Championship to Kent next year.

More than 200,000 spectators are expected at the Royal St George's Golf Club in Sandwich from July 14-17, 2011, with tens of thousands taking golf and leisure breaks in Kent in the months before and after the event.

According to Visit Kent, which has launched a campaign to promote the county's 100 golf courses, research after the Open in Kent in 2003 showed more than £17.6m of additional spending generated for east Kent, with a further £17.4m regionally and £12.7m for the UK.

A record number of spectators is expected this time, too, nearly 10 per cent more than the 182,500 who attended in 2003 – helped by new high speed rail services from London and the Continent.

Golf courses, hotels, restaurants, travel companies and other local businesses are all expected to get a boost, creating more than 1,000 jobs directly and indirectly.

Sandra Matthews-Marsh, chief executive of Visit Kent, said: "The Open Championship is one of the most important global sports events and is watched by an estimated 100 million television viewers around the world.

"Royal St George's is the only Open venue in southern England and the closest to London, so this is a significant opportunity for Kent to benefit not just during Open week, but before and after the Championship."

• ***For details on where to play and stay in Kent go to www.golfforkent.co.uk.***

Sheps on the pull for talent

ANYONE dreaming of running their own pub can now access a recruitment pack to launch them on the way.

The new guide from Shepherd Neame lays out the processes and advantages of joining the historic Kent brewer as either a pub tenant or manager and includes four pull-out sheets: career histories; benefits; training, development and business support; and a questionnaire.

It also includes a history of the 300-year-old Faversham brewery, details of its brands – such as Spitfire, Bishop's Finger and Asahi – and an overview of its 350-plus estate.

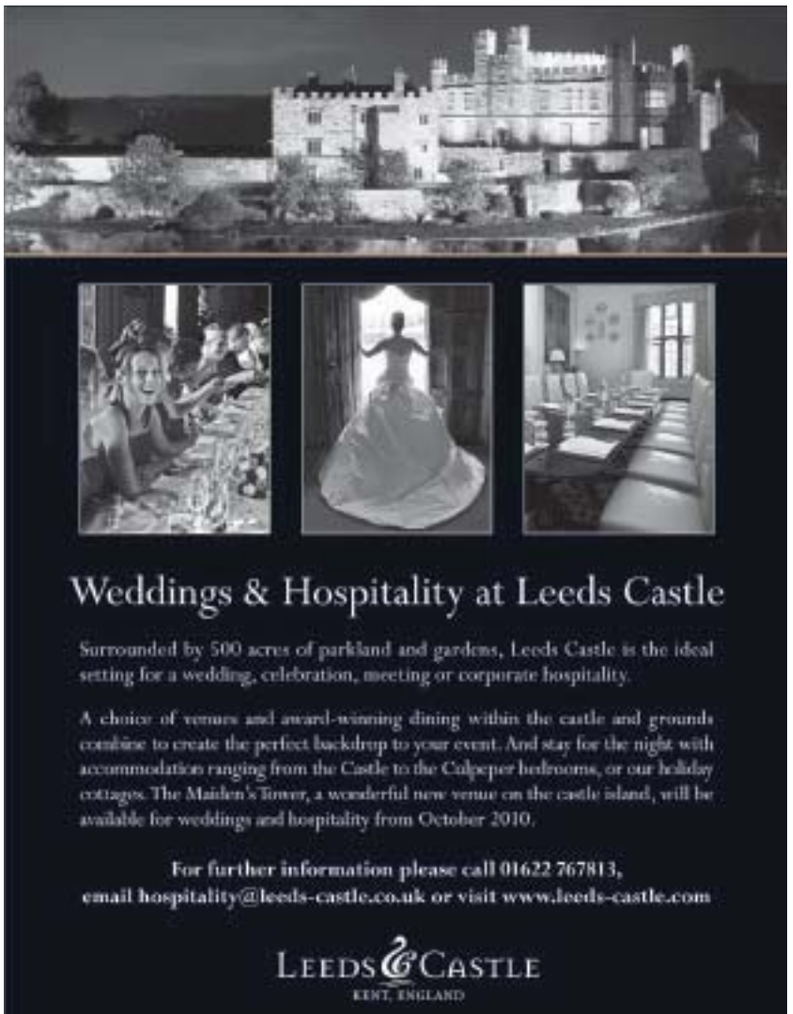
The pack states: "A career in the licensed trade provides a unique opportunity to run a business in the convivial, friendly atmosphere that only a British pub can provide. It is challenging work, but the rewards are high."

The pack includes six Shepherd Neame success stories, including Richard Barrett and Jenny Chapman, of the Chequers in Heaverham. It also details unusual business partnerships, such as that of Phil and Debbie Glover and Tom and Angie Raper, of the Walnut Tree in Loose, two couples who pooled resources to run the pub in partnership.

Sheps' property and tenanted trade director George Barnes said: "This pack clearly explains all of the benefits of working as a manager or running a pub as a tenant with Shepherd Neame. The right people are vital to the successful running of a pub and we hope this pack will help bring those people forward."

CHEERS: Richard and Jenny at Chequers

NEXT WEEK: Business Week Spotlight will focus on the finance and legal sectors



Timeline

KOS Media sport takes a look at the highlights of all the sporting action from the last 50 years

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50 YEARS AGO: RAIN helped Kent to secure a draw with Somerset at Maidstone, after the visitors set Kent a target of 239 for victory with two and a half hours left for play at The Mote.

Somerset made 238 in their first innings, with Shenton taking 5 for 68, but Kent were all out for 200 in reply and grateful for 84 from Leary – Jones' 33 being the next highest score.

Somerset reached 200 for 3 in their second innings before making a cautious declaration.

Kent were briefly on trouble at 18 for 2 with openers Phebey and Richardson already back in the pavilion, but between the showers Prideaux and Wilson batted through to the close, leaving Kent on 80 for 2.

1985

25 YEARS AGO: SHEPPEY teenager Gerard Nohilly signed a one-year deal with Northampton Town.

Nohilly, 19, was offered a deal by Cobblers manager Graham Carr – a former Dartford manager and father of comedian Alan Carr – after impressing during a week's trial at the County Ground.

Gillingham were dealt a blow when they were told they would have to play a pre-season friendly with top flight side Queen's Park Rangers behind closed doors, because Priestfield did not yet comply with the conditions of the Safety at Sport Grounds Act.

2000

10 YEARS AGO: KENT slumped to a heavy defeat against one-day specialists Gloucestershire at Cheltenham, losing by five wickets in National League Division One.

After winning the toss and batting, Kent lost openers Rahul Dravid (16) and Ed Smith (14) cheaply, before Mark Ealham (pictured) hit an unbeaten 49 from 52 balls to help them reach 199 from 45 overs.

Martin McCague removed Tim Hancock for just four early in Gloucestershire's reply, caught behind by Paul Nixon.

When Ealham had Matt Windows lbw Gloucestershire were wobbling on 109 for 5, but Jack Russell (55 not out) and Mark Alleyne (35 not out) saw the home side through with 29 balls to spare.

Open win a 'dream come true' for Lyle

JULY 21 1985:

The 150th Open Championship concludes today at St Andrews, but it will have to do a lot to eclipse the drama at Sandwich 25 years ago. In the latest in our occasional series on Kent's Greatest Sporting moments, **FRED ATKINS** looks at Sandy Lyle's triumph on an unforgiving course at Royal St George's…

SET against a backdrop of Richborough power station, permanently-threatening skies, the tail end of a hurricane and some profoundly troubling sports-casual clothing, the 1985 Open at Royal St George's was the event that transformed Sandy Lyle from merely a very good golfer into one of the greats.

It also ended a wait of 16 years for a British winner – the batting of an eyelid by Wimbledon standards, but at the time considered a drought – as Lyle, a 27-year-old Scot, became the first home winner since Tony Jacklin in 1969.

It was achieved after a final round of nerve-shredding anxiety which saw Lyle's rivals buckle one-by-one while he, just, held his game together.

Lyle was second on the opening day with a 68, two-under-par, but four shots off the lead.

The early running was made by Christy O'Connor Jnr, but the suspicion his opening round was a fluke was seemingly confirmed when he shot six-over on day two.

By the end of Saturday's third round Bernhard Langer and David Graham were in the lead at one under, with Lyle, Mark O'Meara, Ian Woosnam and a recovering O'Connor tied for third place, at two shots over.

On day four Tom Kite surged into the lead, only to falter again. At the 14th Lyle was in deep trouble, until he holed from the rough for a birdie and crucially birdied the 15th, where Graham dropped a shot.

Going into the 18th, Lyle was one shot in the lead when a streaker invaded the green, inspiring Peter Alliss' famous quip: "What a lot of fuss about a little thing like that."

Lyle played a disastrous approach shot and pounded the ground in despair, but limited his losses to just one dropped shot, finishing on two over.

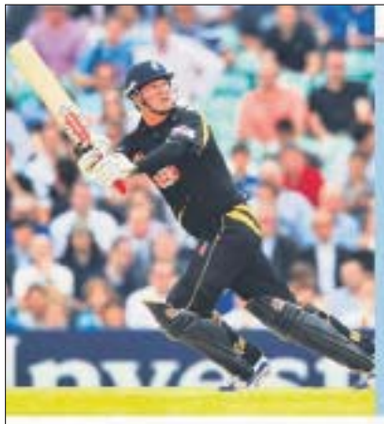
At the 18th, both Graham and Langer needed a three to force a play-off.

The former's hopes died in the bunker and when the latter missed a putt from the rough the title – and £65,000 – was Lyle's.

"When I made the putt at the 15th hole for my second successive birdie I almost burst into tears because it was so exciting to get back into contention again," Lyle said.

"I never got jumpy, I didn't lose control and I was thrilled by the way I played the last few holes. It's a dream come true, for in 1969, when Tony won, I was in the stands at the 18th green and I felt then how nice it would be to win a championship like this."

GLORY DAYS: The St George's crowd give Sandy Lyle a rapturous reception on his way to winning the 1985 Open



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Two-day event sees bikers take centre stage at Brands

BRANDS Hatch was temporarily taken over by cyclists last weekend, with thousands of two-wheeled fanatics of every denomination flocking to the circuit for the 2010 Bike Radar festival.

Road men, mountain bike riders, BMX racers and stunt riders all attended the two-day event, with the opening race, a 106-mile cyclo-sportive, made doubly gruelling by the heat.

Alex Dowsett, of the Trek-Livestrong team, was the winner of the hot-lap event, clocking 2 mins 12 secs for the 1.2-mile circuit, showing some of the speed that saw him beat Lance Armstrong in April's Tour of Gila time trial.

Jody Crawford, of Specialized UK, won the Dirt Crit championship on a specially designed mountain bike circuit, winning by 41 seconds from his nearest challenger, Nick Craig.

Picture: BIKE RADAR

UP FOR IT: Thousands flocked to the festival

This was the second year the Bike Radar has been staged, but the first time at Brands, which the organisers hope will become a permanent home for the festival, after last year's inaugural event was held at Donington.

Teen runners do club proud at English schools championships

Pictures: TONBRIDGE AC

NATIONAL PRIDE: Molloy (41) and Robbie Farnham-Rose (right) picked up gold medals at the English Schools Athletics Championships

By **TOM HOWARD**

THREE Tonbridge Athletic Club runners won national titles on the track at the prestigious English Schools Athletics Championships last weekend.

Grace Nicholls, Sean Molloy and Robbie Farnham-Rose gave their fledgling athletics careers a boost with victories for Kent in the televised championships at the Alexander Stadium, Birmingham.

Molloy gave Tonbridge their first win with an impressive display in the junior boys 800m final. The 14-year-old, third in the national rankings, posted a time of 2 mins 1 sec.

His success was followed by Nicholls, who lived up to her favourite's tag in the senior girls 3,000m. The 18-year-old, who made her international cross-country debut this season, finished strongly to cross the line first in a time of 9 mins 42 secs.

Farnham-Rose, ranked first in the country for his age, followed the result up with a victory in the inter boys 3,000m final.

Impressed

Tonbridge AC made up nearly a quarter of Kent's squad, with 18 athletes selected.

While the three winners took the limelight there were other notable performances.

Laura Ann Henderson impressed in the pole vault by finishing second; Matt Blandford secured third spot in the junior boys javelin; and Ryan Redman finished fourth in the inter boys hammer.

Mark Hookway, Tonbridge's Junior League team manager, said: "It was a very good weekend for the club, I don't think Tonbridge has had three winners at the event before.

"We thought Sean, Grace and Robbie had a chance, but you never know with these events, someone could put in a really massive performance. I'm really pleased with the results.

"All the coaches at the club deserve a lot of credit, especially after such a harsh winter when at times we were doing training in the snow."

Farnham-Rose and Henderson's performances were good enough to earn a call-up to the England Schools under-17 squad for yesterday's schools international event at Glasgow.

Weald building for club's future

GROUND WATCH

PROGRESS at Weald Cricket Club has been rapid in recent seasons and the club's facilities are now about to be brought in line with their rising standards on the field, ***writes Steve Tervet***.

Having secured planning permission for a new pavilion, Weald are aiming to have a larger building finished in time for the start of next season, with expanded premises a necessity if they are to accommodate the club's youngsters.

Since joining the Bat & Ball League in the 1980s, Weald have attracted a steady stream of promising young players.

CHANGE: Weald Cricket Club feel the new work due on the clubhouse is long overdue

Promotion to the Kent County Village League and a subsequent climb to Division One have opened Weald's eyes not only to the area's cricketing talents but an increasing number of modern clubhouses.

Former chairman John Blackman said: "As you go around the county playing other clubs, lots have upgraded their facilities and we felt it was long overdue we did the same.

"We've been trying to get it off the ground for some years, but we've now got the money from the parish council and the local council to help us do it."

While the ground, off Morleys Road, is owned by Sevenoaks Weald Parish Council, the club pays peppercorn rent, with the square maintained by club members.

Blackman said: "We're very inclusive and we've always had a good young element, which is unusual for cricket clubs because a lot have struggled to keep going.

"We're very fortunate having youngsters coming along and wanting to join, and although this league is tough, we are hoping to stay here."

Captain's log

Dave Stringer

Skipper of Weald

WITH two successive promotions behind them Weald are looking to hold their own in Division One of the Kent County Village League under the leadership of Dave Stringer. Stringer, now in his fourth season at the club, has seen his side struggle in the first-half of the campaign, but Weald remain in contention to consolidate their place in the top division. An all-rounder, Stringer scored 193 runs at an average of 21.44 from 10 innings last season, while his 15 wickets came at an average of 16.6.

How long have you been captain?
This is my first year.

Who's the best player you've played with?
[Club-mate] Colin Simpson, who was just very naturally gifted and a great timer of the ball.

And against?
Probably [former Kent and England bowler] Martin McCague – he was pretty aggressive and tried to bully you with the ball.

If you could add any player from world cricket to your team, who would it be?
Right now, it would be someone who could score a lot of runs. I'd have Jacques Kallis so he could open both the bowling and the batting.

Which captain do you most look up to?
Definitely Michael Vaughan. He's the best example of a captain you could possibly ask for. He was very laid-back, and let everybody do their thing, but it was his team and they looked up to him.

What's the best thing about being captain?
The responsibility of knowing people are looking to you to lead by example. Some people respond well to pressure and I'm one of those.

And the worst?
Waiting for the opposition to get out of the changing rooms so I can lock up, when the rest of the team are already in the pub.

What's your favourite ground to play at?
The Nevill. It's like fielding on a bowling green and the wicket's nice to bat on.

KP switch-hit or Michael Vaughan cover-drive?
The switch-hit. I like to reverse, but I do get plenty of stick for it.

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Conway raring to get going as cast comes off

LUCKY: Conway survived a 220mph crash

MIKE Conway's recovery from a horror smash at Indianapolis is ahead of schedule and could see him return to racing as early as next month.

It is less than two months since the 26-year-old's car was pitched into the catch fencing at more than 220mph on the final lap of the Indy 500.

Despite the accident being one of the worst seen for years in the American Indycar series he escaped with only fractures to his back and leg.

The Sevenoaks driver was initially told he would be sidelined for at least three months, but this week the recovery moved ahead of schedule when the cast on his leg was removed, allowing physiotherapy to begin.

Conway remains determined to get back in the car this year, and his Dreyer Reinbold Racing team believe he could be ready for the Indy Grand Prix of Sonoma on August 22.

Physio

Conway said: "The next month and a half is important as it will be in this period that I will find out if I can get back behind the wheel of a car this year.

"As soon as I get told the leg is okay I will have physio to build the muscles up again. It is frustrating to be sitting on the sidelines after experiencing a good first half of the season, but hopefully this spell won't hamper my career and I can pick up where I left off."

Although focused on returning to the Indycar as soon as possible, he is already looking towards trying to agree a deal to race in the championship next year.

He said: "I'm not sure where I will be yet, but I hope to be in the Indycar series. That's where I am and where I want to stay."

Historic Oval 'home' game shows county now means business

By GLENN PEARSON

IT MIGHT not have been the answer to their financial prayers, but Kent's historic move in hosting a home game outside the county certainly achieved one thing, and that was proving the committee are willing to look at Kent as a business and not just a cricket club.

The county's decision to bring Jamie Clifford in as chief executive once Paul Millman had left the club at the end of last year was a clear indication Kent bosses felt a new approach was needed.

With the club registering substantial losses in the last two years, change needed to be swift and, unlike the outright disaster the pop concerts proved to be last summer, it had to be a dead cert.

The first of the bold steps necessary was taken last Friday night at the Oval in Kennington, south London.

On a scorching hot evening, the Kent Spitfires lost to the Essex Eagles to end any lingering hopes they might have had about qualification to the knockout stages of the Friends Provident t20, but the result was insignificant in the grand scheme of things.

Kent had eyes on the riches of staging a home game at Surrey's Oval ground, an established Test and One-Day International arena with a capacity of 23,500.

Announcing the bold move in December last year, Clifford had hoped for a crowd in the region of 14,000. However, after a disappointing campaign, combined with a degree of 20-over overkill by the fixture planners, anticipated figures dropped significantly.

Then, with just 5,500 advance tickets purchased, the club hung their hopes on capturing the commuter market, but that too failed to materialise to any great degree, with 7,620 the official figure on the night.

It was, however, the club's best 'home' attendance of the season, eclipsing their previous highest of 5,000 at Tunbridge Wells.

While admitting it was not a move which would put an end to Kent's financial concerns, Clifford was pleased with the turn out.

He told KOS Media: "We are not punching the air and saying this has changed our fortunes and we've had a big pay day, but similarly it's good, it's our biggest crowd of the season and we've taken a bold step that has had lots of intangible benefits, shifting the perception of what Kent cricket is.

"It's a bold statement of how we want to do things and that we are going to do things a little bit differently."

Initiative

To some extent the game did have a 'Kent feel' to it in terms of merchandising and club announcements, but St Lawrence and the Oval are like chalk and cheese, as are both Canterbury and London as cities, making the fact you are on Surrey territory crudely speaking, somewhat inescapable.

Clifford told this newspaper two weeks ago that Kent supporters would determine whether the initiative would be adopted again in the future.

With a large contingent of the crowd hailing from the other side of the Dartford Crossing, the club's chief executive was coy about a repeat in the near future.

"There is lots to work through and think through and the biggest question is what is the structure going to look like next year?" he said.

"I could say 'yes we are going to do it again' and then we might be told we've only got three home games and we'd look silly, but similarly they could say next year the competition is being expanded and if that was the case, for a county like us, you've got to look at spreading it around."

Whether for or against the idea of hosting cricket outside the county, the initiative should be seen as a start in the long road to financial recovery.

"There isn't a single solution to our financial difficulty, it's got to be lots of little things accumulating to make the difference," Clifford said.

"The danger in trying to find that one solution means you can take on too much risk because serious money doesn't come without serious risk and we are not in a position to make those moves, so it's got to be the sum of little innovative things that leads our financial path from here on in."

Picture: ADY KERRY

RETHINK: Despite losing to Essex Eagles, Kent enjoyed their biggest crowd of the season

UP FRONT: Dame Kelly spent time with young middle-distance runners

Dame Kelly returns to hometown for training session with county's finest

SOME of the county's best middle-distance runners were treated to an audience with Dame Kelly Holmes last week, as the double Olympic gold-medallist returned to her old training base.

Dame Kelly spent a day at Tonbridge School, where 65 Kent youngsters gathered to participate in training sessions and races under the guidance of 15 On Camp with Kelly athletes.

With 25 runners in attendance from Tonbridge Athletics Club and a further 11 from Dame Kelly's old school, Hugh Christie Technology College, the athletes ran their first training sessions since joining the programme.

Dame Kelly set up the scheme in 2004 to help the next generation of middle-distance runners fulfill their potential. On Camp with Kelly has grown from eight to 60 athletes over six years and Dame Kelly was pleased with the latest stage in their development.

She said: "I believe it's very important the athletes I mentor through On Camp with Kelly give something back to the sport and pass on their knowledge to the next generation of athletes as I have done with them.

"I'm very pleased to invite some of the On Camp with Kelly athletes to train in my hometown and that they're able to assist local young athletes."

Charlotte Best, 25, who runs the 800m and 1500m, has been part of Dame Kelly's mentoring scheme since it began and she has until August to post a time fast enough to qualify for the Commonwealth Games.

She said: "If it wasn't for On Camp with Kelly I don't know where my athletics career would be really.

"There wouldn't have been any funding and I wouldn't have got the support coming back from the injuries I have picked up along the way."

Kiwi's stunning 171 gives Wells breathing space

By FRED ATKINS

HAVING kept their heads above water with a huge 118-run win against Gore Court, Tunbridge Wells face another of their direct rivals this afternoon when they host Bickley Park.

Aside from Gore Court, Bickley are the only other team Tunbridge Wells have beaten this season, trouncing them by 70 runs back in May.

Last Saturday's win means the Wells are five points clear of Bickley Park – and the final relegation spot the visitors occupy.

Picture: NICK DUNGAN

PITCH BATTLE: Tunbridge Wells host relegation rivals Bickley Park

Penultimate

If overseas player Leighton Morgan can reproduce anything like the form he showed while hitting 171 against Court, the Wells will be firm favourites.

"Any time you get runs and the team wins it's very satisfying," the New Zealander said.

"I was dropped on 120, but it was quite a difficult chance and otherwise there was nothing. They certainly weren't the best bowling attack I've faced this season and it was a really good wicket, so when they bowled bad deliveries they were always going to get punished."

The strategy worked as the Wells posted their highest ever Premier Division total of 333.

At 117 for 2 from 30 overs Court still had outside hopes of winning, but they lost wickets too frequently to mount a serious challenge and drifted to 215 all out from the penultimate ball, Chris Williams taking 5 for 38.

Bickley were all out for 142 against reigning champions Bromley last week, though a respectable display in the field saw them lose by just three wickets when a rout looked likely.

Morgan, who arrived in the UK after the Wells' win over Park earlier in the season, says while he doesn't know too much about today's opponents, he's well aware of the fixture's importance in the relegation battle.

He has also been taken aback by the warmth of the welcome he's received in the spa town.

"The place is beautiful and the people have been great, so hopefully in the second half of the season we'll be a little more successful," he said.

Picture: NICK DUNGAN

Vine continue fine run with leader's scalp

A RESURGENT Sevenoaks Vine go into this afternoon's Premier Division home game with Hartley on the back of a stunning win away to St Lawrence last Saturday.

The Vine shocked the league leaders, bouncing back from 33 for 5 to beat them by 35 runs, a result which catapults them away from the relegation zone.

Alex Rayner's side have now won three of their last four games, having gone six games without a win at the start of the season – a run which included a four-wicket loss at today's opponents Hartley.

While Hartley were slumping to a 60-run loss to The Mote last week, Sevenoaks produced an astonishing recovery, thanks largely to a brilliant, unbeaten 111 from Oliver Howick, whose innings lasted 132 balls and included one six and seven fours.

The Vine were in deep trouble on 71 for 6 when Howick was joined by Lorne Burns (59), but the duo batted through the remainder of the innings, closing on 238 for 6 from 50 overs.

St Lawrence started well, but slumped from 108 for 1 to 203 all out. Fabian Cowdrey was the leading bowler with 3 for 18 from 10 overs, while James Day, Luke Blackaby and Burns all took two wickets apiece.

Sandeman is not carried away by seeing Bridges demolished

AFTER strolling to a comfortable victory in their first pre-season friendly, Tunbridge Wells are hoping for a stiffer test as they travel to face Redhill this afternoon.

The Sussex League side finished last season two places above Three Bridges, who the Wells thrashed 5-0 last weekend in sweltering temperatures at Hazelwick School.

Mike Lord scored twice for Martin Larkin's side and there were also goals for Nick Graham and Carl Cornell, with triallist Dave Blundell netting the other.

At the other end, 17-year-old goalkeeper Callum Hampson kept a clean sheet on his full Wells debut, although he is likely to make way for the returning Michal Czanner today.

Wells assistant manager Brad Sandeman was pleased to begin the summer in such positive fashion, but was hesitant to read too much into the result or performance.

He said: "It was a very hot day, which made it that little bit harder, but overall we did okay. Obviously, it takes a few games to get into a proper rhythm, but Three Bridges are about the same level as us so it was quite a good performance.

"Hopefully Redhill will be a little bit more of a workout for us and they give us more of a game.

"It's all about getting our fitness, playing our football and getting the shape right. Michal will be back involved, but Callum did very well, keeping a clean sheet, which is good for a young goalkeeper and pleasing for us.

"Michal will start the season for us and he needs a few games under his belt like everyone else."

Picture: NICK DUNGAN

WINNING START: Mike Lord's (left) brace helped Wells to easy 5-0 win

WEST KENT CRICKET PREVIEW

BY STEVE TERVET

KENT LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

LEADERS Broadstairs provide the opposition for Holmesdale this afternoon as they bid to bounce back from a painful defeat away to Catford and Cyphers.

A sub-standard wicket played a huge role in the outcome of the game as Catford were bowled out for just 128, and the Sevenoaks side then faltered along to 109 all out for a 19-run defeat.

"The most disappointing aspect was that they're a team we'd normally expect to beat," said Holmesdale skipper Stuart Brown. "The wicket and the circumstances played a far bigger role than they should – most of the dismissals could be attributed to the state of the wicket. Had it been a Premier League game I'm pretty sure it would have been abandoned."

Broadstairs arrive at Montreal Park with a 19-point lead at the top of the table and they ran out winners by 10 wickets when the sides met back in May.

Brown said: "That was a particularly bad week for us so we'll be out to show we're a better side than that. It won't be easy, they're in good form, but hopefully the boys can produce the batting they showed a couple of weeks ago."

Elsewhere, Tenterden will hope Holmesdale can do them a favour as they attempt to chase down Broadstairs in the battle for promotion. Having suffered a five-wicket defeat to Hayes last weekend, Tenterden entertain HSBC this afternoon hoping to stave off Dartford, 15 points back in third.

DIVISION THREE

LINDEN Park appear to have found their form at just the right time and they travel to Downham & Bellingham full of confidence after four wins from five games.

The Tunbridge Wells club remain unbeaten in Division Three, and last Saturday's win over Old Elthamians included two superb batting displays, with Stuart Clarke's 87 preceding a fine knock of 114 by Abhijit Kale.

Ben Entacott and Ross McDonald both took three wickets as Linden Park won by 59 runs, although they cut things fine once again, taking the final wicket with just one ball to spare.

Downham & Bellingham have won just once all season and they sit third-bottom, but John Harvey's side will be wary, having seen them push leaders Addington Village all the way before losing by two runs.

Linden Park's consistency has been the key to their recent rise as they have kept pace with the leading group, and with Upchurch only able to claim a winning draw at Catford Wanderers, they jumped a place into third.

KENT REGIONAL LEAGUE

SEEKING their 10th win of the season, Cowdrey can tighten their grip on the Premier Division with victory away to fourth-placed Nonington this afternoon.

The Tonbridge side won handsomely again last Saturday, beating Bexley 3rds by nine wickets, with Jack Southwart (73 not out) and Lewis Wright (56 not out) seeing them home.

In Championship East, Tonbridge have strung three wins together and sit fifth in the table following a six-wicket victory over Blue Bell Hill last Saturday.

Today they host Sandwich Town 3rds, with the visitors sitting two places and 12 points ahead of them.

Sandwich won by five wickets when the sides met in May.

The signs are also positive for Pembury, who are now 28 points clear of the Championship West relegation places after recording back-to-back wins for the first time this season.

Richard Bidder's side welcome Blackheath Wanderers City of London to Chalket Lane hoping to build on last Saturday's nine-wicket win away to Dartford 3rds.

However, time is quickly running out for Wrotham (St George's) if they are to have any chance of surviving the drop from 1B West.

Wrotham, who take on fourth-placed GHS Dartford this afternoon, remain without a league win, although they came within touching distance last Saturday, defeated by two runs at Petts Wood as they attempted to chase down 157.

PREMIER DIVISION

(P = played, W = won, WD = winning draw, Bat P = batting points, Bow P = bowling points, PTS = total points)

	P	W	L	Bat P	Bow P	PTS
St Lawrence	10	6	2	10	5	125
Bromley	10	4	2	14	9	125
The Mote	10	5	1	11	11	122
Lordswood	10	4	0	14	10	117
Bexley	10	4	4	14	12	106
Sevenoaks Vine	**10**	**3**	**5**	**15**	**13**	**102**
Hartley Country Club	10	3	3	11	9	101
Tunbridge Wells	**10**	**2**	**6**	**15**	**15**	**82**
Bickley Park	10	2	4	8	12	77
Gore Court	10	0	6	20	18	54

DIVISION TWO

	P	W	WD	Bat P	Bow P	PTS
Broadstairs	10	7	0	7	9	154
Tenterden	**10**	**6**	**1**	**7**	**13**	**135**
Dartford	10	5	0	6	8	120
Catford and Cyphers	10	4	1	13	14	113
HSBC	10	4	0	17	15	96
Minster	10	4	0	7	9	96
Holmesdale	**10**	**3**	**1**	**8**	**20**	**95**
High Halstow	10	2	0	19	17	92
Hayes	10	2	1	21	21	89
Orpington	10	2	0	14	20	83

DIVISION THREE

Addington Village	10	6	1	8	6	144
Gravesend	10	5	1	13	11	135
Linden Park	**10**	**5**	**1**	**9**	**10**	**129**
Upchurch	10	4	2	14	14	124
Catford Wanderers	10	4	0	12	12	108
Bromley Common	10	3	2	16	12	108
Old Colfeians	10	3	0	10	17	92
Downham & Bell'ham	10	1	0	22	27	82
Old Elthamians	10	1	0	17	23	72
Chestfield	10	1	0	15	15	63

KENT REGIONAL LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	WD	Bonus Pts	Pts
Cowdrey	**10**	**9**	**0**	**43**	**188**
Bobbing Court and LH	10	7	2	50	165
R A C S	11	7	4	60	165
Nonington	10	6	4	57	147
Westgate-On-Sea	10	5	4	58	143
Dartfordians	11	4	6	65	135
Old Brockleians	10	3	5	56	121
Bexley	10	3	7	64	109
Tunbridge Wells 3rd XI	10	2	6	55	105
Belvedere	10	0	8	37	57

CHAMPIONSHIP EAST

Mersham Sports	10	9	1	46	181
Old Williamsonians	10	5	2	47	152
Sandwich Town	10	5	4	60	145
Wye	10	6	4	51	141
Tonbridge	**10**	**5**	**4**	**48**	**133**
Yalding	10	4	6	67	127
Frindsbury	10	3	5	62	127
Littlebourne	10	4	4	43	123
Blue Bell Hill	10	1	8	65	90
The Mote	10	2	6	31	81

CHAMPIONSHIP WEST

Shooters Hill	10	8	1	50	180
Blackheath	10	7	2	48	163
Blackheath Wanderers	10	5	5	64	139
Bexley Park	10	5	4	51	136
Bromley	10	5	3	39	134
Pembury	**10**	**5**	**5**	**47**	**122**
RASRA Eagles	10	4	5	48	118
Dartford	10	3	6	53	108
Locksbottom	10	2	7	54	94
Wilmington	10	1	7	52	87

DIVISION 1B WEST

New Ifield	10	8	1	47	177
Old Gravesendians	11	6	3	61	171
Petts Wood	10	7	2	50	165
GHS Dartford	11	5	3	53	143
Gravesend	10	5	4	45	130
Swanscombe	10	3	5	41	116
Nurstead	10	3	6	60	115
Bexleyheath	10	4	5	38	108
Old Elthamians	10	2	6	33	83
Wrotham (St George's)	**10**	**0**	**8**	**62**	**82**

TODAY'S LEAGUE FIXTURES

(All games start at 1.30pm unless otherwise stated)

KENT LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION (noon start): **Sevenoaks Vine** v Hartley Country Club; **Tunbridge Wells** v Bickley Park

DIVISION TWO (1.15pm start): **Holmesdale** v Broadstairs; **Tenterden** v HSBC

DIVISION THREE (1.15pm start): Downham & Bellingham v **Linden Park**

REGIONAL LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION: Nonington v **Cowdrey**

CHAMPIONSHIP EAST: Tonbridge v Sandwich Town 3rd XI

CHAMPIONSHIP WEST: Pembury v Blackheath Wanderers City of London

DIVISION 1B WEST: Wrotham (St George's) v GHS Dartford

Picture: ADY KERRY

PROLIFIC: Ashley Jackson nets against Japan

Hotshot Jackson keeps on firing for Great Britain

ASHLEY Jackson will be targeting a medal this afternoon as Great Britain's hockey squad play their final match at the Men's Four Nations Series.

The mini-tournament is running alongside the women's Champions Trophy in Nottingham and also features Germany, New Zealand and Japan.

Jackson, who spent several years playing junior level hockey at Tunbridge Wells, kept up his superb strike rate at the top level by scoring in the opening 6-4 win against Japan on Monday.

The 22-year-old, who is the reigning world young player of the year, netted inside four minutes for his 47th goal in 86 internationals.

Depending on the result from last night's clash with New Zealand, Britain will either play in the bronze medal play-off this afternoon or go for the title tonight.

The tournament is a warm-up to the men's Champions Trophy in Monchengladbach, Germany, which starts on July 31.

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ANGELS AT THE READY

BACK HOME: Leon Legge will return to Longmead with his new club Brentford
Picture: ADY KERRY

Old boy Legge promised a tough return by Warrilow

By FRED ATKINS

TONBRIDGE Angels take on League One side Brentford at Longmead in the first of their pre-season friendlies this afternoon, with manager Tommy Warrilow promising the fixture will be taken as seriously as it reasonably can be.

It may seem as though the dust has barely settled on the club's frenetic 2009/10 campaign, but pre-season training at Longmead has been in full swing for a fortnight.

"It'll be as strong a team as we can get, but obviously this will be the first time the boys have played, so we'll be trying to knit it all together," Warrilow said.

"They were trying to get fit for the first week [of training] and we've not got a lot of sessions, but Brentford will be coming down strong as well. It'll be a proper first team fixture."

The fixture was arranged as part of the deal that saw Leon Legge join Brentford from Tonbridge last summer.

The defender's career path offers hope to many who have felt the professional game might have left them behind.

Once of Sidley United in the Sussex County League, Legge played for a number of clubs in Sussex before joining the Angels in 2008. He combined semi-professional football with a full-time job as carer-worker, but now enjoys a very different lifestyle.

"Leggy phoned me on Friday from the Algarve!" Warrilow said.

"They were at a training camp there; it just goes to show how the other half live, but he's been back twice [to Longmead] since he left. He's not forgotten where he's come from."

Tonbridge pulled off something of a coup in the transfer market last week when they signed Lewis Taylor, although the former AFC Wimbledon player is unlikely to feature until September at the earliest as he recovers from a cruciate knee injury.

There is, however, uncertainty over the future of Meshach Nugent, who joined the Angels from VCD Athletic midway through last season but was plagued by injury.

Work commitments have prevented Nugent from joining up with the squad so far during pre-season and Warrilow admits he does not know if the striker will be part of his plans.

Today's game kicks off at 3pm. Admission is £10 for adults, £5 for concessions and £4 for children.

Brands bracing itself for a top weekend of racing

By TOM HOWARD

THOUSANDS of fans will flock to Brands Hatch this weekend to see some of the world's finest drivers take part in the World Touring Car and Formula Two championships.

The 2.3-mile Grand Prix circuit, celebrating its 50th anniversary, will be expecting more than 35,000 spectators through its gates and fans could be treated to some classic racing as both championships are nicely poised with British drivers in contention.

Reigning world champion Yvan Muller leads the series, just ahead of ex-Formula One driver Gabriele Tarquini. With just 15 points separating the two the championship lead could change hands this weekend.

Waiting in the wings are the British duo Andy Priaulx and Rob Huff who will be desperate to clinch a win in front of their home crowd.

Another Brit lining up on the grid is reigning British Touring Car champion Colin Turkington who has a wild card entry into the event.

He said: "I'm pleased I'll be racing at Brands because it gives fans a chance to come along and see me race again.

"I always receive good support and that gives me extra motivation to perform well."

The most likely chance of a home win could lie in the hands of Jolyon Palmer, currently leading the Formula Two Championship. The son of Brands Hatch owner and former Formula Two champion Jonathan, Palmer has built a commanding lead in the championship after recording four wins.

Another strong performance at his home circuit this weekend could see him take another big step to securing this year's crown.

Tickets for the FIA World Touring Car and Formula Two Championships at Brands Hatch are available on the gate today at £15 for adults, and tomorrow at £30 for adults.

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HOMEBOY: Jolyon Palmer currently leads Formula Two

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